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Some of the ways you can browse our shelves and enjoy recommendations:

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- Find your next favorite read with NoveList
- Book recommendations
- "If You Like"... staff & patron suggestions
- Snapshots of staff-curated display tables
- Book bundles for kids

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See page 10 for Pop Up Browsing Events for Kids!

JOIN US FOR THESE ONLINE MUSICAL EVENTS

MEET THE BLACK COMPOSERS: a Deep Dive Series with Castle of our Skins

Join the Framingham Public Library and Ashleigh Gordon for a deep dive into the Black composers who have influenced classical music.

Monday October 5, 7pm – **The Power of Her Voice:** women composers, past and present, in classical music.

Monday November 9, 7pm – **Giving Thanks:** meet the early pioneers and trailblazers who paved the way for generations to come.

Monday December 14, 7pm – **Singing for Freedom:** the power of African American spirituals.

Please email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com to receive a link to these Zoom sessions.



JAZZ CONCERT: David Eure Jazz Duo

Wednesday October 14, 7pm – Facebook Live

www.facebook.com/framinghamlibrary

Jazz Violinist David Eure virtually transforms the violin into a human voice, embodying a soulful sound with precision, clarity and finesse. He effortlessly bridges classical and jazz styles with elegant aplomb. He has performed with many well-known jazz artists and continues to record and perform. Eure is an instructor at the New England Conservatory of Music. *Sponsored by the Framingham Cultural Council.*



SUNDAY CONCERT:

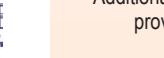
Ana Sorina Popa and Susanne Friedrich

Sunday October 18, 3pm – Facebook Live

www.facebook.com/framinghamlibrary

Pianist Ana Sorina Popa and Cellist Susanne Friedrich perform Beethoven's Sonata for Piano and Cello #5, op. 102/2, Eroica Variations for Piano, op. 35, and Seven Variations on the theme "Bei Männern welche Liebe fühlen" from Mozart's opera "The Magic Flute" for Piano and Cello.

The series is sponsored in part by Middlesex Savings Bank, Metro Credit Union, Brookdale Cushing Park, Law Office of Framingham Attorney Jeffrey M. Steinberg, St. Mary's Credit Union, and Friends of the Framingham Library.



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The Libraries are currently closed. Please check our website for information about phased-in services.

Main Library

49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water Street | 508-532-5636

Remote Homework Center
tutoring for grades K-12 available
in all subjects! See page 9.

• For COVID-19 precautions and information about Library services during this time, [CLICK HERE](#).

• Free WiFi is available in both Library parking lots. Please practice safe 6 ft. distancing and use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner.

• No Late Fees for returned materials continues.

• Please remember to wear your face covering when picking up curbside holds or returning items!

Be **AMAZED**
Books are just the beginning!

CONNECT WITH US ON:



Sign up for [email updates](#) of Library news and events on our homepage!

Funding for this newsletter is provided by The Friends of the Framingham Library.

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

Additional refreshments generously provided by Trader Joe's.

Miss the Library? We miss you, too! Get your FPL fix with FPL Curbside Pickup



HOW IT WORKS:

- ✓ Search for items from our website framinghamlibrary.org or log in to the [Minuteman Library Catalog](#) with your card number and password.
- ✓ Request the items you would like to pick up.
- ✓ When your items are ready, you'll receive a notification.
- ✓ Then, just sign in to the [Capira Reservation System](#) with your Library log in and choose a pickup time!

DVDs can now be requested for curbside pickup!

You can now request feature film DVDs and Blu-Rays and TV series for curbside pickup **FOR FREE!** Search from our website, or [sign up for Wowbrary](#), our weekly email about the latest additions to our collection with links to the catalog to request them.

NEW!

ONE STOP Curbside Pickups & Returns

Contact-free pick up and return of Library materials at BOTH Libraries.

Monday and Tuesday 9am-12pm
Wednesday 1-4pm • Thursday 1-7pm
Friday and Saturday 9am-12pm

Main Library: Lexington Street building walkup
McAuliffe Branch: building walk up

Available by appointment:

Public computer use, printing, scanning and copying. [See page 9 for details.](#)

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[CLICK HERE](#) for our Online Events Calendar, including Young Adult and Children's events.

BROWN BAG LEARNING SERIES

(Brown Bag
Brain Boost)

Friday October 2, 12-1pm

Please email brownbagprogram49@gmail.com by 9am on October 2 to receive the link to the Zoom session.

My Two Cities, a Story of Immigration and Inspiration

*Presented by Robin Stein and
Hanni Myers*

In 1938, Hanni Myers and her family escaped from Vienna to the United States at the start of World War II. Eighty years later, Hanni—a vibrant, energetic teacher, musician, hiker, mother and grandmother—sat down with Robin Stein to tell her story. The result is their book, *My Two Cities, A Story of Immigration and Inspiration*. Hanni hopes her story will give hope and encouragement to young people who immigrate to this country today.

Join us for a conversation about family history, traditions and the American spirit. Bring your own stories to share!



Author Robin Stein
Photo credit: Karen Brilhante Photography

Lifelong Learning Lecture Series Fall 2020

This free **Thursday 7pm** lecture series via Zoom is a partnership between Framingham State University and Framingham Public Library.

Please email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com to join our Fall 2020 mailing list and receive Zoom links to lectures.



**Framingham
State University**

**October 8 – Climate Change on the Coast of
Massachusetts: Causes, Consequences, Choices**

GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Larry McKenna, Assistant Professor,
Earth Science, Framingham State University



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October 15 – Great Leaders – Great Legends

GUEST SPEAKER: Rabbi Rifat Sonsino, Ph.D, Dept. of Psychology and Philosophy,
Framingham State University

**October 29 – The Global Rise of Authoritarian Populism: Trump
Style Politics in a Time of Uncertainty**

GUEST SPEAKER: Dr. Joseph Coelho, Assistant Professor, Political Science,
Framingham State University

This Lecture Series is sponsored by The Joseph L. and Ray L. Freund Foundation, courtesy of Elizabeth F. Fidler.

Remote Courses with Adventures in Lifelong Learning!

FALL 2020

ADVENTURES *in* LIFELONG LEARNING

**Tuesdays October 6, 13, 20
and 27**



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State University**



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www.framinghamlibrary.org/adventures

[www.framingham.edu/academics/continuing-education/
community-education/adventures-in-lifelong-learning/](http://www.framingham.edu/academics/continuing-education/community-education/adventures-in-lifelong-learning/)

Enjoy classes for seniors 60+ on ZOOM!

- Academic courses provided free-of-charge or for a voluntary donation
- Offerings taught by experts in their fields may include literature, history, political science, and the arts
- [CLICK HERE](#) to join the mailing list and learn about our programming.
- [CLICK HERE](#) to REGISTER*

Adventures in Lifelong Learning courses are free to all participants, thanks to partial funding support from the Older Americans Act as granted by BayPath Elder Services, Inc., and grants from Ashland Cultural Council, Holliston Cultural Council, and Framingham Cultural Council.

Because federal funding is being used, we provide participants an opportunity to make a voluntary donation toward the cost of this service. Voluntary donations are put directly into program enhancement, allowing for expansion of services. Whether or not a participant makes a voluntary donation in no way informs or influences this service delivery.

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Relax and Reinvigorate with Meditation via Zoom

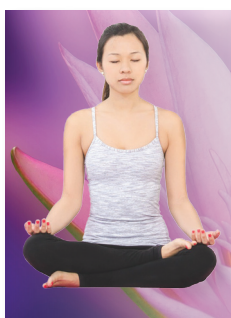
Thursday October 15, 11am

Email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com for an invitation and link to the Zoom session.

Start your week off right with a half hour of guided meditation and other opportunities for care free relaxation techniques!

Join us the third Thursday of each month as Leslie teaches us valuable techniques to relax and reinvigorate before the stresses of the week take hold.

With Love and Gratitude is a nonprofit organization dedicated to service and education www.withloveandgratitude.com.



About Leslie Gabriele: Leslie founded With Love and Gratitude in 2001. Leslie is a clairaudient, clairsentient, clairpath "energetic catalyst" who is trained in multiple healing modalities. Leslie's work is guided in the moment, done without attachment.

Tea & Talk Tuesdays

Tuesday October 27, 3-4pm
Online via Zoom



What hobbies or free-time activities have you enjoyed while staying-at-home for

the past few months? Join us for a casual and fun discussion. Feel free to bring examples to share! Perhaps you will leave our conversation with a new interest to pursue.

Please email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com to receive a link to the Zoom session.

Exercise Classes via Zoom With Laila Vehvilainen

Please email framinghamlibraryexercise@gmail.com by noon on the day of the class for the link to join either or both classes.

STRETCH AND RELAX

Wednesdays October 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2-2:45pm

Join Laila for this class to maintain body flexibility, improve balance and reduce stress.



TONE AND STRETCH

Mondays October 5, 19 and 26, 4:30-5:15pm

A variety of functional fitness exercises to tone core, upper and lower body muscles followed by stretches. This is a low impact class designed to be adaptable to participants' different levels.

BOOK GROUPS

MAIN / McAULIFFE

The Dutch House by Ann Patchett

(Available in our catalog, and as an eBook and Audiobook on Overdrive/Libby, and Audiobook on Hoopla)

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Tuesday October 6, 7-8pm

Patchett is at her subtle yet shining finest in this gloriously incisive, often droll, quietly suspenseful drama of family, ambition, and home ... With echoes of F. Scott Fitzgerald and in sync with Alice McDermott, Patchett gracefully choreographs surprising revelations and reunions as her characters struggle with questions of heredity, altruism, forgiveness, social expectations, and the need to be one's true self. (From Booklist review by Donna Seaman.)

Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups2@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.

The title for our November 3 discussion is *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano.



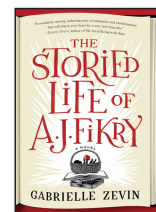
The Storied Life of A. J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin

(Available in our catalog, and as an eBook and Audiobook on Overdrive/Libby and Hoopla)

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Tuesday October 13, 7-8pm.

A.J. Fikry is the curmudgeonly owner of Island Books. His wife has died, a rare first edition book has been stolen and book sales are declining. Then a toddler is abandoned in his store with a note asking him to care for her. If you like quirky characters, bookstores and heartwarming stories, this book will appeal to you. Led by Linda Goldberg. Please email lgoldberg@minlib.net for the Zoom link to join.

The title for our November 10 discussion is *The Orphan Keeper* by Camron Wright.



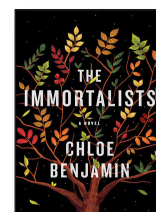
The Immortalists by Chloe Benjamin

(Available in our catalog, and as an eBook and Audiobook on Overdrive/Libby)

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Tuesday October 20, 7-8pm.

If you knew the date of your death, how would you live your life? It's 1969 in New York City and word has spread of the arrival of a mystical woman, a traveling psychic who claims to be able to tell anyone the day they will die. The Gold children—four adolescents on the cusp of self-awareness—sneak out to hear their fortunes. The prophecies inform their next five decades. Led by Jillian Holmberg. Please email framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com for the Zoom link to join.

The title for our November 17 discussion is *City of Girls* by Elizabeth Gilbert.



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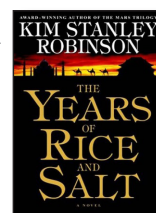
The Years of Rice and Salt by Kim Stanley Robinson

ONLINE VIA ZOOM, Wednesday October 14, 7-8pm

(Available in our catalog, as an eBook on Overdrive/Libby, and as an Audiobook on Hoopla)

What if the plague killed 99 percent of Europe's population instead of one third? How would the world have changed? This is a look at the history that could have been—a history that stretches across centuries, a history that sees dynasties and nations rise and crumble, a history that spans horrible famine and magnificent innovation. Led by Lucy Loveridge. Please email lloveridge@minlib.net to receive the Zoom invitation.

The title for our November 18 discussion is *The Sparrow* by Mary Doria Russell.



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Yarn Social Hour Zoom Virtual Hangout

Mondays 11am-12pm and Wednesdays, 6-7pm

Join us for a knitting, crochet, and yarn crafting social hour! This is not a learn to knit or crochet program. Please email us at framinghamlibrarybookgroups@gmail.com for the program link to join either or both days.



Poetry Workshop

Zoom Sessions, Thursdays, October 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 7-9pm – Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus at Framingham State University

This class welcomes serious poets with experience who would like to participate for one or more sessions. We begin with a discussion of a topic in poetry. Poets may discuss their work. If you are new to the group and would like to participate, please email FPLpoetryworkshop@gmail.com.

Voting: 2020 Elections

Visit our website for important information you need to vote in the 2020 General Election.

[CLICK HERE.](#)

- Important Dates
- The Voting Process
- Precinct Maps
- Massachusetts State Districts
- Congressional Districts
- Need Help?



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LVM Literacy Unlimited

Literacy Unlimited is now tutoring and conversing in the virtual world (check out our updated website framinghamlibrary.org/literacy/our-program/)! We are ready to help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or their reading ability. If you are interested or know someone who is interested, please contact us at 508-532-5574 or fplmail4@minlib.net.

We will have our first virtual tutor training beginning this fall! Please let us know if you are interested! [CLICK HERE](#) for more information about becoming a tutor.



Check out our YouTube Channel

[CLICK HERE](#) for video tutorials, lectures, stories for kids and grownups, recipes, crafts and more.

Learn to Play the Guitar!

Have you ever wanted to learn to play the guitar? It's time to check-off your bucket list! We have partnered with **Centre Music House** to offer beginner guitar lessons.



All you have to do is grab a guitar and join us on the Library's [YouTube Channel](#), where you can view the lessons and follow along, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To help you along your musical journey, we have posted the accompanying lesson plans with links to the Q&As. So what are you waiting for? [CLICK HERE](#) for more details.



Framingham Public Library Stands Against Racial Injustice

Black Lives Matter

RESOURCES ON OUR WEBSITE:

Anti-Racism resources for learning and taking action.

[Adults](#) | [Teens](#) | [Children](#)

OUR DIGITAL COLLECTIONS:

Downloadable resources from Hoopla, Libby/Overdrive and Kanopy.

Overdrive/Libby: [Race and Racism in America](#) | Hoopla: [Conversations about Race](#)

• [Talking with Kids about Race](#) | Kanopy: [Social and Systemic Injustice](#)

OUR CURATED COLLECTION:

The Friends of the Framingham Library have generously donated an all-ages collection of books, ebooks and audiobooks pertaining to understanding systemic racism and its effect on our society and culture. [Click here for more information.](#)

See page 6
for featured
resources.

COMMUNITY EVENT

Ballot Question 3, Community Preservation Act

Framingham Public Library is facilitating a public information discussion via Zoom on November Ballot Question 3, which asks if Framingham should adopt the Community Preservation Act (CPA). The meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 21, at 7pm**. It will include a half-hour presentation, providing an overview of CPA and reviewing the provisions of Question 3 on the Framingham ballot. This will be followed by a question and answer session.

RSVP required. To register, go to CPAinfo@framingham.org.

This is a community sponsored event. The views and opinions expressed in this presentation are those of the author/creator and do not necessarily represent official policy or position of the Framingham Public Library.

ONLINE RESOURCES GUIDE www.framinghamlibrary.org/find-online

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RECOMMENDATIONS

eBooks & Digital Audiobooks

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Multilingual Resources

Have you tried our **World Languages Collection** in Libby/Overdrive? [CLICK HERE](#) to see all that's offered.

Libby now allows users to browse, search, and enjoy the app in nine additional languages. The newly supported languages include: Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, French, German, Russian, Italian, Japanese and Swedish.

Digital Magazines

Libby

In addition to eBooks and audiobooks, you can access over 50 digital magazines. Our magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting list and no limit to the number you may check out. Loan period is 7, 14, or 21 days.



OverDrive

You can also borrow magazines with OverDrive. Magazines are always available, with no holds or waiting lists. Magazine loans never count against your standard limit in OverDrive.

Digital Newspapers

The New York Times

NYTimes.com: Read today's *New York Times* through our digital subscription.

Boston Globe online: Full text articles from 1985-present.

Infotrac Newsstand: Access to more than 2,300 major U.S. regional, national, and local newspapers, as well as leading titles from around the world.

Digital Music

Hoopla

Music albums from Hoopla are available for 7 days. There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5 Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*



Digital Movies & TV

Kanopy

Looking for indie or classic films, award-winning documentaries, or foreign titles a little off the beaten path? Kanopy and Kanopy Kids contain over 30,000 harder-to-find films that you can borrow online with your Framingham Public Library card! You may borrow up to 5 titles per month.



Streaming videos from Kanopy may be borrowed for 72 hours. Create a free account, then use on a computer or download the app to your device.

And now, you can stream **The Great Courses** FREE on Kanopy! Kanopy users have free 30-day access to The Great Courses



films. From the time you click play you will have 30 days to complete all of the videos in a course. This is without using any of your 5 monthly play credits.

Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.

Hoopla

Movies and TV episodes from Hoopla are available for 3 days (72 hours). There are no holds and everything may be downloaded instantly. Patrons are limited to 5 Hoopla check-outs per calendar month. Use on a computer or download the app. Access is reserved for Framingham residents.*

OverDrive

Streaming videos from OverDrive may be borrowed for 3, 5, or 7 days. Use on a computer or stream on a mobile device.

Mango Languages

Mango is our online language-learning tool, with over 70 languages available. Home access is available for library card holders with a Framingham address. If you do not live in Framingham, come to the Library when we are open and sign up for a Mango account. You will then be able to sign in to your account on your home computer or via the Mango app on your phone or tablet.



Consumer Reports

Use your Framingham Public Library card to access *Consumer Reports* for information about consumer products.



*If you do not live in Framingham, you can still use Hoopla through the Boston Public Library. All residents of Massachusetts may sign up for a Boston Public Library e-Card and use BPL's e-Resources, which include Overdrive, Hoopla and Kanopy.

Also check out our **Research Resources and Information Guides**

STAFF RECOMMENDS

Here are some recommendations from our staff that you can find on our [digital resources](#), or in print from [our catalog](#).

The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires

Available on Libby
as an eBook and
Audiobook and
in our catalog.



The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires is the best adult fiction book of 2020! Once you start reading it you won't be able to put it down. It follows Patricia Campbell and her neighbors in their book club as they face off with a new neighbor in their neighborhood. Their new neighbor just so happens to be a vampire. This book was a hilarious and wild ride! Beware that it is very scary.

– Jacqueline

Request your copy today!



When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?

by Billie Eilish

This debut studio album by American singer and songwriter Billie Eilish is moody, definitely dark and immersive, but with catchy pop hooks and beautiful harmonies and vocals. It has a timeless quality and is surprisingly sweet and tender at times. I listened one day on a lark and it's become one of my current go-to listens. – *Lena*



BOOK REVIEW

So You Want to Talk About Race

by Ijeoma Oluo

Available on Libby
as an eBook and
Audiobook, Hoopla as an Audiobook
and in our catalog.

Ijeoma Oluo is very bold and straightforward in this award winning book describing racial injustice in America. Each chapter focuses on a topic like addressing microaggressions, police brutality, the Black Lives Matter movement, the school to prison pipeline and other important issues that need to be addressed in today's America.

The content targets people who really don't want to talk about race. Oluo gives personal experiences with each chapter to help one empathize with the topic. This book will help one see a different standpoint, and is a call to action. – *Brigitte*

Visit our **WEBSITE** for more resources including books, films, ways to take action and more.

**So you
want
to talk
about
race**

Ijeoma Oluo



“Browse” our Display Table honoring the life and career of Ruth Bader Ginsburg. [CLICK HERE](#) for links to these titles.

*Looking to read
something new?*

Try our personalized book recommendation service. [CLICK HERE.](#)



Update on Anatoly

Anatoly Prekrasnyy, a member of Team Framingham, ran an amazing virtual 2020 Boston Marathon for the [Friends of the Framingham Library](#) on Sunday, September 6, in San Diego in 100 degree heat! Anatoly said: .

This wasn't my best race, but it was still my favorite because I know I had support of all of YOU and I couldn't let you down. We raised over \$10,000 for @framinghamlibraryfriends which is just truly hard to fathom. When I was setting out on this journey I thought that I would be extremely lucky if I could raise \$3,000. However, the wave of overwhelming support that I received totally blew me away. I'm so happy that I have so many great friends.

I dedicate this marathon to my grandma Nelya who passed away 8 years ago, and I know she is watching from above and helping me along the way. But this marathon was also for all of my friends, Framingham Library and all heroes on the frontlines. You rock!

Anatoly



The Friends deeply appreciate Anatoly's efforts on our behalf, and all who donated and sent expressions of support. Special thanks go to the Alta Union House for hosting an event and sponsoring Anatoly's banner which was to hang in downtown Framingham during Marathon week, and to Dell Technologies for generously matching gifts donated by Anatoly's coworkers. The Friends also thank the staff of the Framingham Public Library for their ideas, design assistance, and enthusiastic support.

Thank you Framingham!

The City of Framingham is well on our way to a new goal of 15,000 homemade face coverings for our community. A huge thank you to all who have donated! As we reopen, more face coverings will be essential. Be part of this incredible effort to help your community. [LEARN HOW HERE.](#)

Obrigado Framingham!

A cidade de Framingham está a caminho de atingir uma meta de 15.000 coberturas faciais para a nossa comunidade. Um enorme obrigado a todos que têm doado! À medida que reabrimos, mais coberturas faciais serão essenciais. Ser parte de esse esforço incrível para ajudar sua comunidade. [SAIBA COMO AQUI.](#)

Gracias Framingham!

La ciudad de Framingham está en camino de alcanzar una meta de 15,000 cubiertas de tela para la cara para nuestra comunidad. Un enorme agradecimiento a todos los que tienen donado! A medida que volvamos a abrir, serán esenciales más cubiertas de tela para la cara. Ser parte de este increíble esfuerzo para ayudar a su comunidad.

[APRENDA CÓMO AQUI.](#)

Over 10,000 face coverings donated and counting!

GOAL: 15,000



Guess what?
October 18-24 is National Friends of Libraries Week!
Show your support for the Friends

and the Library by becoming a member today. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to join.

Without book sales, the Friends Fundraising committee is working hard to come up with other ways to generate income for the Library. Thanks to all of you who purchased bulbs last month. We look forward to seeing tulips and daffodils in Framingham next spring.

This month we are selling masks with the Friends logo. [CLICK HERE](#) to order yours today!



There will be no October book sale because of restrictions due to COVID-19. Sorry, but we cannot accept book or DVD donations at this time.

Framingham Public Library Foundation News



Your donation to the Framingham Public Library Foundation will help create a new Teen Room in the Main Library.

Click on [www.](#)

[framlibfoundation.org/donate/](#) or send a check to the FPLF, 49 Lexington Street, Framingham, MA 01702.

Email rwinnett@rcn.com if you have any questions. Thank you, Ruth Winnett.

RESOURCES ON OUR WEBSITE

Especially for Seniors

Look here first for one stop access to resources for our seniors. We have compiled a list of topics relevant to your interests in an easy to navigate format. You will find information about our digital books, audiobooks, movies and music and how to access them. There are resources for you to stay up-to-date with COVID-19 and social service organizations that can help you during this time. There are also links to health and wellness activities as well as online resources to keep you entertained while you stay safe at home. To take a look [CLICK HERE.](#)



Help Resources and Hotlines

Community resources for you to call upon during the COVID-19 pandemic. Categories of services include:

- Hotlines
- Food Insecurity
- Support Groups
- Self-Care Resources
- Places of Worship
- Cloth Face Masks/Coverings
- Financial Assistance
- COVID-19 Testing
- Parenting Resources



YOUNG ADULTS

GRADES 6-12

OCTOBER PROGRAMS

DIY Slime (Take & Make Kit)

Pick up anytime in October
LIMITED SUPPLIES - Register to reserve your kit

All the ingredients you need to make your own ooey-gooey slime at home. Plus instructions on how to make Oobleck (and how it works!).

Take & Make Craft: Painted Pumpkins

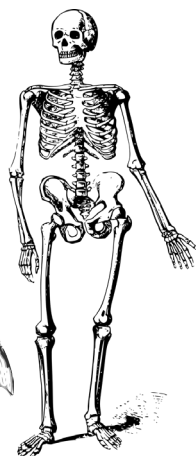
Pick up anytime in October
LIMITED SUPPLIES - Register to reserve your kit

It's Spooky Season, so you need your very own painted pumpkin by your side. Make it scary, or sweet, it's up to you!

Virtual Anime Club

Saturday October 17, 1-3pm
Visit website for room code

October anime club means watching all things spooky. Last year we watched *Ringu*, and I might just have a scary Japanese movie surprise up my sleeves this year too!



CONTACT US!

The phone lines
at Framingham
Public Library are
open! *Call us!*

We are here at both Libraries
to take your call.

Main Library 508-532-5570 (press 2)

Monday-Friday: 9am-5pm

Saturday: 9am-12pm

McAuliffe Branch

508-532-5636 (press 4)

Monday-Tuesday: 9am-3pm

Wednesday: 9am-5pm

Thursday: 9am-7pm

Friday-Saturday: 9am-3pm



We want
to Chat
with you!

Library staff are available for live
chat Monday through Friday 9am-5pm.

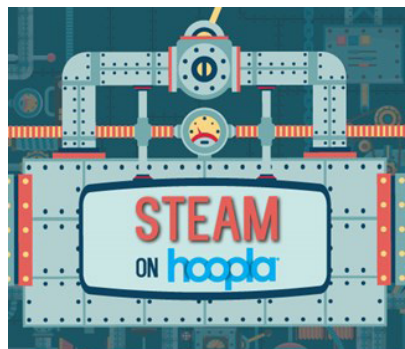
Click on the chat icon at the
bottom right of the Library webpage
www.framinghamlibrary.org.

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of all ages excel! [LOOK HERE.](#)

The Bookmobile
wants to visit
YOU!*



The Bookmobile can't wait to get
back on the road and to celebrate we
want to visit you!

Get out your crayons and pens and draw us a
picture or write us a story (or both) about why
we should visit your house *when we are back
on the road. The Bookmobile will throw a party
at the home of five lucky winners to be
selected at random! For ages K-12. Entry
deadline date to be decided.

TO ENTER: [CLICK HERE](#) to fill out a form
and attach your picture or drawing.

Seed Lending Library: Harvesting Cucumber Seeds

It's time to harvest seeds from your favorite vegetables. To harvest seeds from a cucumber (preferably from Seed Lending Library seeds), it must remain on the vine past the point where it is edible. It will change in color from green to yellowish, assuring it's time to harvest.

Scoop the contents of the cucumber into a jar, add filtered water, cover with a paper towel, and secure with a rubber band. Set the jar aside in a warm, sheltered spot to begin fermentation. Fermentation can occur in as little as one to three days and will be marked by the seeds sinking to the bottom and fuzzy mold growing on top. Once all your seeds have sunk, add additional water to clean them.

Any debris or unviable seeds will float to the top, making them easy to skim off and discard. Rinse the good seeds a few more times, strain them, and place them on parchment paper to dry. Once dry, store the seeds in a closed jar or ziploc bag and label them for next year's sowing. Stored in a cool dark place, cucumber seeds will remain viable for 10 years. This method also works for tomatoes. They will remain viable for about 6 years.



Reserve a COMPUTER SESSION at the Main Library



We are offering public computer use by appointment – printing, scanning and copying appointments, too!

Safety for our patrons, staff and the community is our first priority. Library staff observe all safety precautions and computers are cleaned after each use.

We ask that you consider utilizing computer access at this time for priority needs, such as: job search, filing for unemployment benefits, maintaining email contact with friends and family, business needs, etc.

Monday & Tuesday: 9am-12pm

Wednesday: 1-4pm

Thursday: 1-7pm

Friday & Saturday: 9am-12pm

HOW IT WORKS:

- ✓ Go to our website framinghamlibrary.org/technology-services or call 508-532-5570 to make a **45 minute reservation** (1 per day).
- ✓ Parking is available in the spots on the right, just past the Pearl Street entrance.
- ✓ You will be admitted through the Pearl Street entrance 2 minutes before your appointment time.
- ✓ All safety precautions must be observed (see on right).
- ✓ Free printing, scanning, and copying services will be available.

SAFETY FIRST

- If you are feeling ill, including a fever or cough, do not keep your appointment.
- Masks are required at all times. If you do not have one, we will provide one.
- Social distancing of at least 6 feet must be maintained at all times.
- Please make use of our hand sanitizing stations.

Adult Summer Reading Program

Thank you for participating in the Adult Summer Reading program. We hope you enjoyed all of the activities we selected for you. Congratulations to the winners of the Wegman's gift cards, generously donated by Wegman's Natick. Be sure to join us next year for more Adult Summer Reading fun!

"Imagine Your Story" is sponsored by the Framingham Public Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



Adult Coloring

Fall is here! Grab a blanket, a hot cup of tea, and color outside with your favorite music. [CLICK HERE.](#)



Puzzle Swap is Back! McAuliffe Branch Library

Request a puzzle to pick up at McAuliffe by [CLICKING HERE](#) and then take it home! Choose how many pieces you'd prefer the puzzle to contain and bring home some fun. Just like with our in-person Puzzle Swap, you can choose to return it to the Branch when you are finished, or bring back a completely different puzzle (or any extra puzzles you wish to join the swap!).



The Library may be closed, but you may still access free WiFi throughout the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch Library parking lots. Please continue to practice social distancing (6 feet apart from others) to help stop the spread of Coronavirus.

By using the free wireless service, you are agreeing to abide by the Framingham Public Library Internet Policy. All users are expected to use the Library's wireless access in a legal and responsible manner.



Homework Center News

The **Homework Center** is remote! We are continuing to provide free individual remote tutoring, to students K-12, in all subjects.

The FPL's Newest Reading Initiative: Academic Enrichment Book Groups



Students in grades K-12 will read books from the Framingham Public School suggested reading list. They will journal, answer study questions, and write essays and book reviews which will be featured in the FPL newsletter and website, on a monthly basis.

Plan ahead to submit an essay for this academic year's essay contest:

The prompt is: "I Survived the Pandemic of 2020." Middle, high school and for the first time, elementary school students grades 4 and 5 are invited to submit an essay. In 500 words or less, tell us about the ways in which you and your family have survived the pandemic. Tell us the three things you think most important when surviving during difficult times and why they are most important to you. Stayed tuned for the essay contest information flyer.

To request tutoring or participation in an Academic Enrichment Book Group contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

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Fill out your Census and be counted!

- The 2020 Census is **ONLINE!**
- The Census is **important, confidential** and **easy!**

Preencha o seu censo e seja contado!

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<https://my2020census.gov>

Watch a short video about the census [HERE.](#)

DISCOVER GROW CREATE!

CHILDREN'S OCTOBER 2020

SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

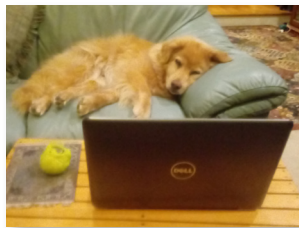
This month, check out our exciting Pop Up Browsing events, Pop Up Art School, [online programs](#), Make and Take Crafts, a DIY craft, plus our YouTube videos, book reviews and more.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Pop Up Browsing for Kids

Saturday October 10, 9am-12pm – Main Library Learning Yard All ages

Join us for a socially distanced, masked and hand disinfected outdoor browse of some Children's Books—Graphic Novels, Picture Books, Easy Readers, Chapter Books, Halloween books, even nonfiction for school reports—and pick your own!! Library staff will be on hand to answer questions and help you make selections. Once you've picked an item (or more!!), we'll check the book out using our mobile library setup. Let's jump into the new school year with the support of books from your local library!



Book Buddy Reading to Dogs All ages

Sundays October 11 and 25, 2-3pm (10 minute appointments every 15 minutes)
Online via Zoom

Improve your reading skills the fun way by reading aloud to your new Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dog Lilah listens as children read aloud from a book of their choice. Register at Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com; leave your email, your child's name, and your preferred time for the appointment. You will receive the Zoom link and the time of your appointment in a response email.

Lego Halloween Zoom Challenge Ages 5+

Wednesday October 14, 6-6:45pm – Online via Zoom

Join Dana, your children's librarian, as he poses some live Lego challenges with a Halloween theme! Participants will use their Lego blocks to design some creations such as monsters and spooky environments to show off their Lego building imagination and skill! Register at Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com specifying "Lego challenge" to receive the Zoom link.

Please note: Lego bags are available if needed, but please feel free to use your own for this challenge. If Legos are needed, call the Library starting October 1 to arrange pickup of your bag of Legos for the challenge.

Goldfish Swim School Presents: W.A.T.E.R. Safety All ages

Friday October 23, 11-11:45 am – Online via Zoom

Join the Goldfish Swim School as their team of water safety and early childhood experts teach families about water safety and drowning prevention, based on the principles taught by the Safer 3 Water Safety Foundation. Please email Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to register for the program and to schedule a time to pick up your take-home goody bag that includes a free Family Swim pass, a safety-related coloring sheet, temporary tattoos, and information for their parents about what they learned during the program to help reinforce the skills at home. *Goody bag pickup begins October 16.*



Halloween StoryWalk & Costume Parade Ages 3-6

Friday October 30, 11-11:30am – Main Library

Join Mr. Dana and Miss Jill as they offer a live, outdoor StoryWalk at the Framingham Public Library! Come in costume and enjoy some spooky fun, including the Halloween StoryWalk and a parade around the library! Space is limited, so please register at Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com; the starting location will then be emailed to you.



Trick or Treat Pop Up Browsing for Kids All ages

Saturday October 31, 9am-12pm – Main Library Learning Yard

The Trick is to maintain social distancing, keep your mask on and disinfect your hands on entering; the Treat is you get to look through shelves of Children's Books—Graphic Novels, Picture Books, Easy Readers, Chapter Books, Halloween and Thanksgiving books, even nonfiction for school reports—and pick your own!! Library staff will be on hand to answer questions and help you make selections. Once you've picked an item (or more!!), we'll check the book out using our mobile library setup.

Weekly Zoom Storytimes with Jillian and Dana

Mondays 10-10:20am and Thursdays 10:15-10:45am Ages 2-6, all welcome.

Contact Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to get an invite to join.

Join your familiar children's librarians for some stories, perhaps catch a glimpse of your friends on the gallery screen, and keep adding to your 1000 books before Kindergarten or since Kindergarten list. Keep your library habit going even during stay at home time!



Weekly Zoom Baby Lapsits with Joanne and Lucy

Tuesdays 10-10:20am and Fridays 10:30-11am Ages 0-2 and their caregivers, all welcome.

Contact Mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to get an invite to join.

Come sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets at Baby Lapsit. Break up your stay at home time or take a break from your work from home time with some fun time with your little one, catch a glimpse of your friends on the gallery screen, and keep adding to your child's 1000 books before Kindergarten (retroactive sign up when we reopen)!

Weekly Virtual Challenges

A Thousand Paper Cranes Challenge: Ongoing

Join us in making a thousand paper cranes to decorate the Libraries upon our reopening. An instructional video by Lucas Gustafson, our Origami Club leader, on how to make an origami crane is on our [YouTube Channel](#). Watch it, then make away in any spare minutes. To find out why we're folding paper cranes check out the Wikipedia entry on "Orizuru" or read [Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes](#) by Eleanor Coerr (available in Overdrive/Libby).

Go Outside! Virtual Challenge: Posted every Wednesday

Check the [Kids' Page](#) on our website and [Instagram](#) every Wednesday for new activities and a challenge that you'll have to do outside. Take a break from home/remote/hybrid schooling and go outdoors. Each challenge will include instructions for how to tag us to share evidence of your outdoor activities all week. You won't have to just go out on Wednesdays!

Building Boom Virtual Challenge: Posted every Friday

Have the weekend free from schoolwork? How about building something fun out of Legos, blocks, cardboard, tin cans, or whatever you have around your house! Every Friday we will post a challenge on [Instagram](#) and the [Kids' Page](#) on our website for you to work on over the weekend. Then tag us when you post a picture and explanation of your finished construction so we can share the creativity around. Check back often to see what other people created with their building materials and to get your brain revving up for the next week's challenge!

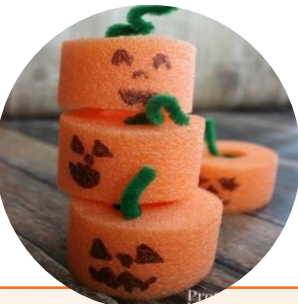


Make and Take Crafts

3D Puzzle Foam Animals Ages 5-12

Tuesday October 6

Make a puzzle out of foam pieces to create a surprise 3D animal. All materials are provided in a kit available for curbside pickup starting October 6. Supplies are limited. Please [REGISTER HERE](#) and schedule a time to pick up your kit. *This program is paid for by the Framingham Cultural Council.*



Pumpkin Craft

Tuesday October 20 Ages 5-9

Make a cute stack of pumpkins out of foam pool noodles and draw faces on them. All materials are provided in a kit available for curbside pickup starting October 20. Supplies are limited. Please [REGISTER HERE](#) and schedule a time to pick up your kit.

Pop Up Art Presents: Peekaboo Kitty in Pumpkin Painting Class

Thursday October 22, 12-1pm – Online via Zoom Ages 8-12

Join Pop Up Art School live on Zoom to paint a black kitty peeking out from inside a jack-o'-lantern. More treat than trick; you'll paint with acrylic paints on a pre-drawn canvas panel. Kit included with all the supplies you need. Kits are limited. Please [REGISTER HERE](#) and



schedule a time to pick up your kit before the program date. *This program is paid for by the Framingham Cultural Council.*





YouTube Channel Highlights

Virtual Bedtime Stories with Mr. Dana

Join Mr. Dana from the Main Library as he reads to you from some of his favorite children's books.

We'll be providing direct links to chapters so you can join in at any time. He's now reading *The Wizard of Oz* by L. Frank Baum but *My Father's Dragon* by Ruth Stiles Gannet is still available as well!

[CLICK HERE](#) to listen.



BOOK BUNDLES FOR KIDS!

Need Children's Books but don't know what to choose? Let us pick some for you! Simply [fill out our form](#) and a staff member will make you a customized bundle of 3-5 books. Available at both Libraries.



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Have you tried Kanopy Kids, our online video resource for kids?

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Uniting for young children...the heart of our community
Framingham, MA

Our team is here to help children, families, and community partners navigate common pathways that support children's healthy growth and development and promote early education right from the start.

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Strengthening Families Newsletter

At home craft for October Bat Puppets

For visual instructions check out the step-by-step tutorial on our [YouTube Channel](#).



Materials:

- 2 paper plates
- Printable Bat Craft Template
- 2 Popsicle sticks
- Paint, paint pen, crayons or markers
- Glue
- A stapler or tape

Instructions:

1. Gather all of your materials. Print & cut out the bat template.
2. On the back of one of the paper plates, place the bat template across the lower quarter of the inner circle and draw around the upper part. Place your bat template in the middle of the paper plate and draw around that too.
3. Cut out the middle of your paper plate and the bat following all your drawn template lines. Paint or color the back of the cut paper plate and the bat black. Paint or color the front of a second paper plate blue.
4. Add some night time features like stars to your bat craft using paint, paint markers, or regular markers. You can give the house yellow windows or give your bat some fangs. It's up to you!
5. To make your bat puppet handle, glue together two popsicle sticks and glue the bat onto one end. Color or paint your popsicle stick handle if you'd like.
6. Lay the black paper plate on top of the blue paper plate with the bat puppet handle poking out between them at the bottom.
7. Staple, glue, or tape your two paper plates together leaving a section at the bottom open so the bat puppet can be moved from side to side.

Children's Book Reviews

A Field Guide to Getting Lost

by Joy McCullough

Sutton and Luis' parents are dating. Their parents want them to meet and maybe even become friends, but it's a challenge! Sutton likes science and robots. Luis likes art and writing. On a group hike with their parents they quickly learn how to work together and use their strengths to find a way out. *A Field Guide to Getting Lost* is one of my new favorite middle-grade books! Available in Overdrive in eBook and audiobook.



SEQUEL ALERT!

The Vanderbeekers Lost and Found

by Karina Yan Glaser

The chaotic but lovable Vanderbeeker family and all their friends are back for another adventurous season. Mr. Biederman is training for the New York City Marathon, there's a mystery tenant in their hidden garden's shed, and the twins are growing up and perhaps feeling twinges of jealousy! If you've enjoyed the previous three books starring the Vanderbeekers, you won't want to miss this one! Available in book form at the moment.

