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# AFRICAN AMERICAN/BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Join us as we celebrate African American/Black History Month with a variety of programs.

Wednesday February 6, 7pm – Main Library, Costin Room From Slavery to Freedom: A Slave Narrative of Aunt Sally Williams as recorded by Edna Dean Proctor

Edna Dean Proctor, buried in Framingham, spent many years at the New York home of publisher Henry Bowen. When Aunt Sally showed up at Bowen's offices in 1857, Edna was asked to record her story of slavery to freedom. Storyteller Libby Franck will portray abolitionist Edna Dean Proctor and Adrienne Williams will sing songs of the period. In collaboration with the Framingham History Center.



Tuesday February 19, 7-8:45pm – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room **Documentary:** No Short Climb: "Race Workers" and America's Defense Technology

Framingham State University Professor Robert Johnson, Jr. will screen his film and discuss the important contributions



Wednesday February 27, 7pm – Main Library, Costin Room The Kevin Harris Project presents "Embers"



New York-based jazz pianist Kevin Harris presents a timely performance. It's easy for many to ignore racism, classism, sexism, and the likes when it takes place in much poorer neighborhoods, countries, and continents, outside of our comfort zones. These compositions are not about blame or taking sides...just the courageous ability to say and do what is right. Kevin will be joined by Zach Lober on Acoustic Bass and Tyson Jackson on drums.

Thursday February 28, 7pm – Main Library, Costin Room **Lifelong Learning Lecture** Series: Black Writers and **Boston Publishing – At the Turn** of the 20th Century



African American literature was just beginning to attract national attention. Black writers published their work for a

predominantly white audience. This talk, presented by Dr. Lucas Dietrich, Visiting Lecturer, Framingham State University, explores two important authors, W.E.B. DuBois and Charles W. Chesnutt, who were both published by Boston's Houghton Mifflin & Co.

#### Freedom's Agenda: African-American Petitions to the **Massachusetts Government** 1600-1900

Month long exhibit – February 1-28 – Christa McAuliffe Branch Library Come see this unique exhibit of anti-slavery and anti-segregation legislative petitions, from the Commonwealth Museum.

#### **COMING MARCH 3-7**

**Sunday Concert Series: Greater** Worcester Opera - Leonard Bernsteins' Broadway March 3, 3pm – Main Library Lifelong Learning Lecture: Art of Ancient Peru March 7, 7pm – Main Library February 2019 Vol. 5 I No. 2

#### **Main Library**

49 Lexington Street I 508-532-5570 Monday-Thursday 9-9 Friday-Saturday 9-5 Sunday 1-5 (see schedule for closed Sundays)

#### **Christa McAuliffe Branch Library**

746 Water Street I 508-532-5636 Monday-Thursday 9:30-9 Friday-Saturday 9:30-5 Sunday Noon-4 (see schedule for closed Sundays)

#### **Holiday Hours**

Both Libraries will be closed Sunday February 17 and Monday February 18 for Presidents' Day.



The Main Library now offers a VHS viewing station in the third floor reference area. Sign up at the Reference Desk to watch your old VHS tapes or items from our collection. Call the Desk for more information, 508-532-5570, x 4361.



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Additional refreshments generously provided by Trader Joe's.

# FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS: The Wife

(2018) 1 hr. 40 min. Rated R

Friday February 8, 7pm – Main Library, Costin Room Enter on the Lexington Street side between 6:30-7:15pm.

Glenn Close stars as a wife who questions her life choices as she travels to Stockholm with her husband, where he is slated to receive the Nobel Prize for Literature.



# FILMS AROUND THE WORLD **SERIES: Humanity in Close-up**

Discussion Leader: Dr. Arthur Nolletti, Jr., **Professor Emeritus, Framingham State University** 



## Aftermath (Poklosie) (2013) 110 min.

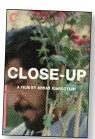
Monday February 11, 2pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Called "the most controversial Polish film ever," this stunning thriller focuses on two brothers who uncover a dark secret about their family's history and their country's past. Polish with English subtitles.

Close-Up (Namaye-e Nazdik) (1990) 98 min.

Monday February 25, 2pm – Main Library, Costin Room A fascinating investigation into the nature of identity, this film combines real documentary footage and fictional reenactments to

tell the story of a young man who impersonates his idol, Iranian filmmaker Mohsen Makhmalbaf. Persian with English subtitles.



# **Celebrating The Fandom Life**



**Featuring Documentary Filmmaker** Hansi Oppenheimer

Saturday February 9, 2-4pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Hansi Oppenheimer, Director of the documentary series "Squee!" will be screening her film as well as

shorts from other women directors that examine what it means to be part of the Fandom Life. Artist Kat Ell and costume player Chana Odom will be joining us for a discussion following the films. Costumes encouraged! Refreshments served.

# **Poetry Workshop**

Tuesdays February 5, 12, 19 and 26, 7-9pm -Main Library,

Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus at Framingham State Univ.



This drop-in class welcomes serious poets of all ages and levels of experience who would like to participate for one or more sessions. We begin with a discussion of a topic in poetry leading to a brief in-class assignment. Poets who wish to have their work discussed should bring copies.

# **Stretch and Meditate**

with Laila Vehvilainen

Tuesdays February 5, 12 and 26, 1-1:45pm -Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room



# **Adult Coloring Night**

First and Third Thursdays of the Month, 6:30-8:30pm – Main Library, Homework Center. Join us for coloring, tea, and music. We provide colored pencils and coloring pages, or bring your own materials.

# **SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES: Matt Graybil and Rhiannon Banerdt**

Sunday February 24, 3pm - Main Library. Costin Room

Graybil has performed as a recitalist, concerto soloist and chamber musician throughout North America and Europe. Banerdt is the assistant concertmaster with the Cape Symphony, on the violin faculty at Bloomingdale School of Music and a violinist for



the Ulysses String Quartet in New York City. Together, they represent a small but mighty group of emerging musicians who are eager to keep classical music relevant—particularly to young ears. "Music represents who someone is, and that's sort of the central question for a young person exploring different aspects of their identity," Banerdt says. "Music is about personal expression, and that's something we all share." They will be performing works by Chopin, de Falla, Saint Saens and Prokofiev. Refreshments.

The series is sponsored in part by Metro Credit Union, Roche Brothers Markets, Brookdale Senior Living Solutions, St. Mary's Credit Union and Friends of the Framingham Library. Roche Bros.







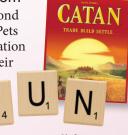
# **Doggos Drop-In**

Monday February 11, 7pm -McAuliffe Branch Library,

Community Room

Join us for our second Doggos Drop-In. Pets and People Foundation will return with their

lovable pets to help you de-stress after a long



day. This month's program will feature board games. Drop in to play a game and pet a pup. Look forward to Mondays again. No registration necessary. Geared towards ages 20 and up.



# Framingham Community Song Circle

#### Saturdays at 3-4:45pm

February 16 – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room March 16 – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

Everyone can sing!

Come join us in singing old favorites and learning new songs too. Folk music from many traditions, the 60s folk revival, rounds, hymns, gospel and more. Bring your instrument and play along! Kid-friendly, and refreshments provided.

# The Seed Lending Library

Re-opening at both Libraries on March 2! The Seed Lending Library has scheduled three seed-packaging "parties" in preparation for their reopening and is looking for volunteers.

Monday February 11, 1-3pm
Main Library, Children's Craft Room
Thursday February 14, 7-8:30pm
McAuliffe Branch Library, Craft Room
Wednesday February 27, 7-8:30pm
Main Library, Children's Craft Room

# **Citizenship Corner News**

Are you interested in becoming a citizen? Come to a workshop on Tuesday February 19, 7-8:30pm in the Citizenship Corner (Framingham Main Library, 3rd floor). We will review eligibility to apply, documents needed to complete the application, how to file your application, and more!

## **BOOK SALE!**

Saturday February 16

– Main Library

9:30am-3pm: Open to Friends Members 10am-3pm: Open to the Public

Most Books \$1.00 or less, Children's \$.50 or less, single DVDs \$2.00

3 Rooms + the lobby chock full of books

This month we have an assortment of interesting and diverse books at \$2.00 each in our lobby. We are also featuring DVD's in our lobby 2 for \$1.00. We have a huge children's section, books of all genres, and a selection of foreign books.

Because of your support of the Friends, we are able to provide free movies, concerts, programs, museum passes, audio books, CDs, Children's Room apps and more.

# MAKERSPACE SPARKS CREATIVITY

The Framingham Public Library Foundation is raising funds to equip a Makerspace in the Main Library. Makerspace visitors will be able to learn, collaborate and create using 3D printers, textiles, coding software and devices, electronic components, building equipment, photography equipment, and craft materials. To help us reach our \$27,000 target, please send a check to the FPLF, 49 Lexington St., Framingham, MA 01702 or donate online at www.fplf.org. For more information call or email Ruth Winett, 508-877-1938 or rwinett@rcn.com. *Take a look at what your donation could help create:* 



Use your imagination and create fun and useful objects with a 3D printer.



Make electronic objects like motors and radios, or make a robot or software.



Use tools and building materials and get crafty with a variety of art supplies.



Sew, knit, or felt something beautiful with our sewing machine and materials.



# BROWN BAG LEARNING STRIES (Brown Bag Brain Boost)

Join us from 12-1pm one Friday a month for an educational and entertaining free lunch time program featuring speakers from local businesses and organizations. Guests are welcome to bring their lunch; refreshments will be provided. *Please note locations*.

FEBRUARY 1: Be Heart Healthy:
Prevention Strategies Presented by
Kitty Mahoney – Main Library, Children's
Program Room

MARCH 1: Understanding the Opioid Epidemic Presented by Kelly E. Joseph – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

# Coming in March

# **U.S. Civics and American History Class**

Thursdays, March 7-May 16, 6-8pm Intermediate Level English Speakers
Participants must be eligible for citizenship to attend. Registration required. Contact the Literacy Office to register.

## **The Homework Center**

The Homework Center Program provides free tutoring, homework and school project help to all Framingham students K-12. We are open Monday through Thursday 2:30-5:30pm.

For more information and to schedule tutoring, please contact Jgatlin@ minlib.net.

# **LVM Literacy Unlimited**

Are you interested in tutoring with *Literacy Unlimited?*Come to an information session to find out more about our adult tutoring



program! Wednesday March 6, 5:30-7:30pm, Framingham Main Library, Trustees Room.

Training for ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) will meet Wednesdays, March 13 to April 17, 5:30-8:30pm in the Trustees Room. We require registration for the 6-week tutor training. Please see the website https://framinghamlibrary.org/literacy/our-program/become-a-tutor/ for more information and to register.

# HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY, BOOK LOVERS!

Purchase copies of the *Book Lover's Journal* for only \$7.00 each. Created by the Journal Writer's Group of the Framingham Public Library, with generous support from the Friends of the Framingham Library, this 76-page journal is a unique gift for readers and writers, and you'll be supporting your Library, too. Available only at the Main Library and the McAuliffe Branch Library. Quantities are limited, so buy your copy today—cash or check made payable to Friends of the Framingham Library.



# **YOUNG ADULTS**

# **PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12**

# **AniManga Club**

Saturday February 2, 1:30-3:30pm – Main Library, Costin Room

AniManga club is for everyone who enjoys all things Anime and Manga. We'll be watching an assortment of your favorite anime TV shows, and eating some delicious Japanese snacks.

# **Video Game Hangout**

Thursday February 14, 3-5pm – Main Library, Costin Room

It's Valentine's Day, and the last day of school before February break! Celebrate at the Library with video games and snacks!



# February Break Movies

Mission: Impossible – Fallout – Tuesday February 19, 1-4pm – McAuliffe Library, Community Room Venom – Wednesday February 20, 1-4pm – Main Library, Costin Room

It's February Break week, so let's watch some movies! Join us for either or both!

## **Duct Tape Wallets** (& More!)

Thursday February 21, 1-3pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Who doesn't want a wallet covered in rubber duckies or galaxies? Join us to make your own, or anything else you can think of using duct tape.

## **Drop-in Resume Help**

Tuesdays February 5, 12, 19 and 26, 10am-12:30pm – Main Library Get expert help with resumes, cover letters and job-search strategies.

#### **Journal Writer's Group**

Tuesdays, 7-8pm — Christa McAuliffe Branch, Community Room Continuing from January 8, through March 26, the group will be working on *The Artist's Way,* an inspiring 12-week program which focuses on artistic renewal and creativity, across all creative forms. Includes exercises and activities. The book is available at both libraries.

Community
Puzzle & Board
Game
Swap!

Monday February 11, 7-8pm – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room

We're adding board games to our puzzle swap this month! Bring games and puzzles to exchange with others. No puzzle to swap? Come anyway; we always have extras for you to try. All ages and levels welcome.

Join the Main Library Knitters every Wednesday and the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of every month, 10-11am!
Beginners welcome.

# **BOOK GROUPS**

## MAIN LIBRARY (Please note location this month)

## Nora Webster by Colm Tóibín

Tuesday February 5, 7:15pm — **McAuliffe Branch, Community Room** Join us to discuss this "luminous" novel (Jennifer Egan, *The New York Times Book Review*) from one of contemporary literature's bestselling, critically acclaimed, and beloved authors. *Nora Webster* is about a fiercely compelling young widow navigating grief, fear, and longing, and finding her own voice —"heartrendingly transcendant" (*The New York Times*, Janet Maslin).



#### SCI-FI Book Discussion and Movie!

#### The Martian by Andy Weir

Wednesday February 13, 6-9pm — Main Library, Trustees Room Six days after astronaut Mark Watney joins a team on Mars, a severe dust storm strikes, leaving him stranded alone and without communications. While NASA concocts a rescue plan, Watney applies a combination of true grit, engineering skills, and ingenuity to survive until help arrives. Book discussion from 6-6:40pm, movie *The Martian* (2015, 2 hr. 21 min., rated PG-13) from 6:40-9pm. Led by Marcy Maiorana.



#### **MINDFULNESS**

# An Appeal to the World: The Way to Peace in a Time of Division – His Holiness the Dalai Lama with Frank Alt

Saturday February 16, 10am – Main Library, Children's Program Room In *An Appeal to the World*, the Dalai Lama inspires us and reminds us of our common humanity. He urges us to transcend our religious leanings and proposes secular ethics as the pathway to changing the world. Are we truly one in our pursuit of joy, in our wish to live in a more peaceful world? Reading this book will make you thankful for the Dalai Lama's loving voice in these times of divisiveness. Join our book discussion followed by a short meditation. Led by Harriet Weiner.



#### MCAULIFFE BRANCH

# The Curious Charms of Arthur Pepper by Phaedra Patrick

Thursday February 21, 10-11am – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room Arthur Pepper is merely existing one year after the death of his wife—dutifully rising at the same hour, wearing the same clothes, and watering his plant. He remains in this emotional stasis until the discovery of a gold charm bracelet that belonged to his wife, which launches him on a mission to uncover the secret life his wife led prior to their marriage. Led by Marcy Maiorana.



# **Veterans Coffee Hour**

Friday February 15, 9:30-10:30am – McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room *Monthly Event* 

All Vets are welcome to join us for free coffee and light refreshments.

# Ongoing Food Drive at the Main Library

Please consider donating to our food drive to support the Hope Worldwide
Framingham Food Pantry! If you prefer to write a check, you can mail it to: Hope Worldwide Food Pantry, 214 Concord St., Framingham, MA 01702. THANK YOU!





# **DISCOVER GROW CREATE**

# **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FEBRUARY 2019**

# Main Library Special Events

#### Dads, Donuts and Discoveries

Saturday February 2, 10-11am, Costin Room. All ages.

Bond with your dad (and with donuts) through stories and songs and while discovering new friends and activities. Mothers, siblings and other family members welcome!

Movie Matinee: The Princess and the Frog (2009) 98 minutes, rated G.

Saturday February 2, 2-4pm, Children's Program Room. All ages at parents' discretion.

Prince Naveen is transformed into a frog by a magician. Waitress Tiana follows suit when she kisses the amphibian royalty. With the help of a trumpet-playing alligator, a Cajun firefly, and an old blind lady, they must race to break the spell and fulfill their dreams.

# Valentine's Day Open Craft

Saturday February 9, 10am-3pm, Children's Craft Room. All ages. Drop in and make some handmade Valentines for your friends and family. Or some sweet room decorations!

## **Origami Club**

Wednesdays February 13 and 27, 4:15-5pm, Children's Craft Room. Ages 7+.

We will be folding a variety of animals and geometric shapes. Led by Lucas Gustafson, a high schooler who started folding at the age of 6 and is a longtime member of the Origami Club at MIT.

#### **Bookmarkers**

Thursday February 28, 7-7:30pm, Children's Program Room. Grades 3-5.

Enjoy reading by meeting with friends to choose, read, and discuss books together. You'll increase your comprehension, discuss what you know, and turn reading into a social activity that encourages more reading.

#### **VACATION WEEK PROGRAMS**

#### Keva Plank Build

Tuesday February 19, 10am-12noon, Children's Craft Room. Grades K+. Explore your artistic nature, problem solve and engage in play with the deceptively simple KEVA planks. Come amaze us with your creations!



## Makers' Workshop

Thursday February 21, 2-3:30pm, Children's Craft Room. Ages 5+. Escape from the winter doldrums with a fun and colorful flower making craft! There will be three paper flower tutorials but you are welcome to come up with your own, unique, flower.

# **Secrets of the Super Heroes**

Friday February 22, 3-4pm, Costin Room. Ages 6-106! Question: What's the difference between Captain Marvel, Captain Marvel, Captain Marvel, Captain Marvel, and Captain Marvel? And where does Captain Marvel Jr. fit in? Find out this and much more by attending this super event hosted by Marvel freelancer and Framingham Public Library employee Dana Perkins! SHAZAM!

# **Open LEGO**

Saturday February 23, 2-4pm, Children's Craft Room. Grades K+.

Drop in and make something creative with our supplied LEGOs. Use our idea books or design you own.

#### Main Library

49 Lexington St. I 508-532-5570 Monday-Thursday 9-9 Friday-Saturday 9-5 Sunday 1-5 (see schedule for closed Sundays)

# Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

746 Water St. I 508-532-5636 Monday-Thursday 9:30-9 Friday-Saturday 9:30-5 Sunday Noon-4 (see schedule for closed Sundays)

#### **Holiday Hours**

Both Libraries will be closed Sunday February 17 and Monday February 18 for Presidents' Day.

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# Christa McAuliffe Branch Special Events

# **Open Play**

Saturday February 2, 10-11:30am, Craft Room. All ages.

Drop in and make something creative with Keva Planks, Legos, Magnatiles, and more!

# Valentine's Day Open Craft

Thursday February 14, 3:30-4:30pm, Craft Room. Ages 4+.

Join us on Valentine's Day to create your own Love Bug craft.

#### VACATION WEEK MOVIE

**Snowtime!** (2015) 82 min., rated PG for mild thematic elements and rude humor).

Friday February 22, 2-3:30pm, Community Room. All Ages at parents discretion. Bring your own snacks

The kids in a small village decide to have a massive snowball fight. The winning side gets to occupy an elaborate snow fort, but a more serious conflict arises. Can they work things out and become friends again?



# **CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS FEBRUARY 2019**

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#### **Main Library Ongoing Events**

# Weekly Story Time

Thursdays 10:15-10:45am, ages 3-5. Stories, school readiness activities, and a craft.

#### Mother Goose on the Loose

Wednesdays February 6-27, 10:15-10:45am, ages 0-3 accompanied by a caregiver.

Registration required. PROGRAM FULL

Rhymes, songs, puppets, instruments, and more.

#### Special Play Space Activities

Thursdays 6-8pm and Fridays 11am-1pm, preschool ages.\*

Play with the rotating stations in our new Play Space. Check out our Facebook page to discover which station we will showcase each week.

# Drop-In Baby lapsit

Fridays February 1 and 15 and Saturdays February 9 and 23, 10:30-11am, ages 0-2 accompanied by a caregiver.
Sing and play with rhyme, and puppets!

#### Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs

Saturday February 2, 3-4pm, Sundays February 10 and 24, 2-3pm, and Tuesday February 12, 6-7pm, all ages. *Registration* required. Call 508-532-5570 x4 or drop by to sign up for a 15 minute slot.

Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read.

All in Children's Program Room. (\*Children's Room)

#### **McAuliffe Branch Ongoing Events**

# Weekly Story Time

Mondays 10-10:20am, ages 2-4. Stories, school readiness activities, maybe a craft.

## Drop-In Baby lapsit

Tuesdays 10-10:30am, ages 0-2 with an adult. Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets!

#### Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs

Saturday February 16, 10-11am, all ages.\* Registration required. Call 508-532-5636 x5 or drop by to sign up for a 15 minute slot. Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read.

All in Children's Room. (\*Craft Room)