Adventures in Lifelong Learning SPRING 2023
TUESDAYS APRIL 25, AND MAY 2, 9, & 16 | ZOOM
Enjoy remote courses for adults 60+! Online registration opens Monday, March 27 at 11am. Click HERE to join our mailing list, see course descriptions, and to register. For more information, email lifelonglearning@framingham.edu or call 508-215-5127.
COURSES:
Villette: The Female Self in the Victorian World
Helen Heineman, PhD
Hindu Art and Iconography
Yumi Park Huntington, PhD
African American History to Reconstruction
Maria Alessandra Bollettino, PhD
Jazz History Part II
Paul Buono, JD
The Supreme Court and the Promise of Equality
David Smailes, PhD

March Madness: Battle of the Books
TUESDAY MARCH 14 - MONDAY APRIL 3 | MAIN LIBRARY (STAIRCASE TO REFERENCE) AND MCAULIFFE BRANCH (REFERENCE DESK)
Your favorite books from across genres go head-to-head for March Madness: Battle of the Books! Stop by either library to vote and see which book wins it all!

Lunchtime Learning Series: The 10 Warning Signs presented by the Alzheimer’s Association of MA & NH
FRIDAY MARCH 3, 12PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM
Learn about the difference between normal aging and Alzheimer’s including common warning signs, the importance of early detection, benefits of diagnosis and next steps.

In honor of the Framingham Garden Club’s 90th Anniversary, the City of Framingham is being ‘gifted’ a presentation of:
Gardening to Support Nature by Dave Epstein, meteorologist and horticulturalist
WEDNESDAY MARCH 29, 7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE
This event is provided by the Framingham Garden Club in partnership with the Framingham Public Library.
In a world that is increasingly climatologically unpredictable, Dave will explain how important it is to not only use native plants but other ways to help mitigate a changing climate. By making small changes from how we use compost, when we clean our gardens and how we water, gardeners can become an integral part of the fight against climate change. The talk will also help gardeners know which plants can be helpful for pollinators and other fauna. REGISTER for the in-person event. More information on our events calendar. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Framingham Cultural Council, a local agency supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

Registration or program questions: email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com or call 508-532-5570.

If you feel unwell, please don’t enter the Library. Please maintain proper social distancing when in the Library.
Sign up for email updates of Library news and events on our homepage!
Funding for Library programs is provided in part by the Friends of the Framingham Library.
Lifelong Learning Lecture Series

Spring 2023
This free Thursday evening SERIES is a partnership between Framingham State University (FSU) and Framingham Public Library. MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE.* Sponsored by The Joseph L. and Ray L. Freund Foundation, courtesy of Elizabeth F. Fideler.

THURSDAY MARCH 9, 7PM
Deaf Awareness and Culture: Bridging Connections Between the Hearing and Deaf Communities
Katie McCarthy, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program at Boston Children’s Hospital and an adjunct faculty with FSU and Simmons University

THURSDAY MARCH 23, 7PM
Reimagine Learning for Tech-Involved Children
Dr. Chu N. Ly, Assistant Professor of Education and Child and Family Studies, FSU

THURSDAY MARCH 30, 7PM
*Dickens and Van Gogh: A Study in Influence This lecture will be on Zoom. REGISTER.
Dr. Helen Heineman, President Emerita, FSU

BEGINNER LINE DANCING
MONDAY MARCH 6, 7PM & SATURDAY MARCH 11, 12PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM Attend one or both!
Improve memory skills, strengthen bones, develop better balance, relieve stress, and put a smile on your face with Line Dancing! We’ll learn some old favorites and add some of the newest line dances. No need to have a partner and no experience is necessary!

The Bob Dodd Sunday Concert at FPL
SUNDAY MARCH 12, 3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE
Pianist Anna Avetisyan and soprano vocalist Jodie Fernandes perform! The series is sponsored in part by:

Sustainability Series: Get Comfy with Heat Pumps
MONDAY MARCH 27, 7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM & YOUTUBE LIVE
Have you heard of heat pumps or mini-splits or ductless heat and cool units and wondered about them? Join us in a vendor-free environment to find out how to evaluate what type is right for your home, how to choose a vendor and how to compare quotes.

FILMS

MAIN LIBRARY COSTIN ROOM
The Woman King (2022) 2hr. 14min. PG-13.
FRIDAY MARCH 3, 7PM

Film Noir Club: The Night of the Hunter (1955) 1hr. 32min. NR.
SATURDAY MARCH 4, 3PM

Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris (2022) 1hr. 32min. PG.
MONDAY MARCH 27, 2PM

MCAULIFFE BRANCH COMMUNITY ROOM
Wednesday Matinee: Colette (2018) 1hr. 51min. R.
WEDNESDAY MARCH 8, 1PM

Animatinee: Mirai (2018) 1hr. 38min. PG.
TUESDAY MARCH 14, 2:30PM

THURSDAY MARCH 16, 1PM

Wednesday Matinee: Spencer (2021) 1hr. 57min. R.
WEDNESDAY MARCH 22, 1PM
BOOK CLUBS

MAIN LIBRARY

Club de Lectores: Máscaras por Leonardo Padura (pages 1-120) LUNES 6 DE MARZO, 8PM | ZOOM | REGISTRESE. 4/3: Máscaras por Leonardo Padura (pages 121-240)

Adult Book Club: American Dirt by Jeanine Cummings TUESDAY MARCH 7, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER. 4/4: TBA

Sci-Fi Book Club: The Daughter of Doctor Moreau by Silvia Moreno-Garcia WEDNESDAY MARCH 8, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER. 4/12: TBA

MCAULIFFE BRANCH

Evening Book Club: Deaf Republic by Ilya Kaminsky TUESDAY MARCH 14, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | REGISTER for the Zoom link. 4/11: TBA

Morning Book Club: Light From Uncommon Stars by Ryka Aoki THURSDAY MARCH 16, 10AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | REGISTER for the Zoom link. 4/20: TBA

Seed Lending Library: Starting Seeds Indoors MONDAY MARCH 20, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Join us and Transition Framingham for a demonstration and discussion. Safiyat Hamiss, founder of Tasty Harvest Kitchen Gardens will show how to start the garden season with support from the Seed Lending Library. FRIDAY MARCH 3, 11AM | MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM TUESDAY MARCH 7, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CRAFT ROOM

Virtual Reality Tour: Sainsbury Wing of the National Gallery TUE.-THU. MARCH 28-30, 12-5PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Enjoy the beauty of Early Renaissance art from the comfort of your local library! Join us for a virtual tour of the Sainsbury Wing of the National Gallery in London. Please call the McAuliffe Branch at 508-532-5636 or sign up HERE to reserve your time slot.

Come visit the Bookmobile at this Community Event! Eastleigh Farmer’s Market – DATE TBA | EASTLEIGH FARM, 1062 EDMANDS RD. See our full CALENDAR. Veja nosso CALENDÁRIO completo. Todo nuestro CALENDARIO.

Board Game Night MONDAY MARCH 27, 7-8PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Ages 12+. Who said March Madness is just for basketball? We’re turning up the fear factor with Betrayal at the House on the Hill, for a night of traitors and triumphs, scares and survival, mystery and madness.

ON GOING EVENTS

Tone & Stretch MONDAYS, 4:30PM | ZOOM Tone your core and upper and lower body muscles followed by stretches. REGISTER.

Drop-in Adult Coloring SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH, 6:30-8PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB Supplies provided for you—or bring your own!

Advanced Poetry Workshop TUESDAYS, 7:30-9:30PM | ZOOM This class welcomes serious poets with experience. If you are new to the group, REGISTER by noon on the day of the workshop.

Stretch & Relax WEDNESDAYS, 4:30PM | ZOOM Maintain flexibility, improve balance, and reduce stress. REGISTER.

Job Search Assistance One-on-one Resume Building on Zoom* THURSDAYS, 9AM-1:30PM. REGISTER. "If you need access to a computer, email fplmail6@minlib.net or call the library at 508-532-5570.

Practice Interviewing Group WEDNESDAY MARCH 15, 3:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM

Release, Relax, & Reinvigorate THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 11AM | ZOOM Join Leslie Gabriele of With Love and Gratitude for guided meditation. REGISTER.

Veteran’s At Ease Coffee Hour THIRD FRIDAYS, 10AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Join local veterans for free coffee and refreshments. A collaboration with the City of Framingham Veterans Services.

Yarn Social Clubs WEDNESDAYS AND SECOND & FOURTH SATURDAYS, 10AM | MAIN LIBRARY Beginners welcome. WEDNESDAYS, 6PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH

Puzzles SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH, 7PM | MAIN LIBRARY Stop by and grab a free puzzle to keep! FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH Swap a puzzle you’ve already completed or take a new one home to try!
**RESOURCES**

**Literacy Unlimited**
Preparation for U.S. Citizenship Seminar
Literacy Unlimited at Framingham Public Library is offering an 11-week seminar to help students prepare for the Naturalization Interview for U.S. Citizenship. The seminar will be held on Zoom, Thursday evenings from April 13 to June 22, 7-9 PM. Pre-registration is required. Space is limited. To register, please call 508-532-5574 or email us at fplmail4@minlib.net.

**Homework Center**
We provide free tutoring, homework and school project help to students K-12. We are open Monday through Thursday, 2:30-6pm. We also facilitate academic enrichment book groups. Students read Framingham Public School recommended books and meet on a weekly basis to discuss and journal about the characters, setting, plots, and themes in their books. To be matched with a tutor or sign up to participate in a book group please contact lkilburn@minlib.net.

**Framingham Business Resource Center**
Starting a business, expanding your career or furthering your education? Visit the FBRC for thousands of online resources and video courses! Located on the 3rd floor of the Main Library. Learn more HERE.

Check out our YouTube channel! Watch many of our programs, and find recipes, crafts, lessons, and more!

**YOUNG ADULTS**

**Weekly Minecraft Collaborative Build** Grades 4-12.
EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 2:30-4PM | FRAMINGHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY MINECRAFT SERVER Must be accepted on Minecraft server to participate, for more info visit HERE. Every Wednesday in March, we’re going to be working on a group build in Creative Mode.

**Early Release Day Program — Movie and Popcorn** Grades 4-8.
THURSDAY MARCH 2, 12-3PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
It’s a middle school early release day, so I’ll bring a few recent movies and make some popcorn, and you all can pick what we watch.

**Anime Club** Grades 6-12.
SATURDAY MARCH 4, 1-3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM
Watch your favorite anime and eat tasty Japanese snacks!

**Video Game Hangout** Grades 6-12.
THURSDAY MARCH 9, 3-5PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM
Play video games and eat snacks!

**Board Games** Grades 6-12.
THURSDAY MARCH 16, 5:30-7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, TEEN ROOM
We have a new board game collection for the Teen Room, so join us to play an old favorite, or something new.

**Mug Meals — Snickerdoodle** Grades 6-12.
THURSDAY MARCH 23, 3-4:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
THURSDAY MARCH 30, 5:30-7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB
Spring is here, but it’s still a little chilly. So let’s make a quick and easy Snickerdoodle mug cake to keep cozy.

**SUPPORTERS**

**‘The Great Courses’ DVDs at the March 18 Book Sale**
These popular courses (some have their accompanying course books) will be available at the sale on March 18. Come early as these materials are limited. There will also be the usual abundant inventory of English and non-English adult and children’s books, including cookbooks and books about Ireland. The four book sale areas at the Main Library will be open from 10am to 3pm. Friends can have early access to the Bag Room and Book Sale Room at 9:30am. Books in the Friends Bookstore and Lobby can be purchased from 9am onward. Can’t Make the Book Sale? Visit the Friends Bookstore at the Main Library. It’s open when the Library is open.

Join the Friends: It’s a bargain. Click HERE to join.

**Framingham Public Library Foundation**
The FPLF is raising funds to create and equip a new space in the Main Library for our Literacy Unlimited Program. Literacy Unlimited provides individual tutoring and group classes for adult English learners. To support this important project, click HERE or send a check to FPLF, 49 Lexington Street, Framingham, MA 01702. For information contact Ruth Winett at rwinett@rcn.com or 508-877-1938.

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS**
Visit our WEBSITE for links to our partners.

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CHILDREN’S
MARCH 2023 PROGRAMS

MAIN LIBRARY SPECIAL EVENTS
UNLESS NOTED, EVENTS ARE IN THE SPARK LAB

Leprechaun Scavenger Hunt All ages.
MAR. 1-17 | CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM | Begin this St. Patrick's theme scavenger hunt at the Children’s Desk and see if you can solve all the riddles. A book prize will be waiting for those who solve it!

Dr. Seuss Day Crafts All ages.
THU. MAR. 2, 11AM-12PM | Celebrate Dr. Seuss Day this March by joining us for crafts and activities!

The Mitten Storytime and Craft All ages.
SAT. MAR. 4, 11AM-12PM | CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM | Join us for a fun-filled storytime and craft featuring Jan Brett’s classic “The Mitten!”

Handprint Butterflies Ages 4-6.
WED. MAR. 8, 10:30-11:30AM | Make a butterfly out of your own handprint.

Leprechaun Traps Ages 6+.
WED. MAR. 15, 6-7PM | Build a Leprechaun trap using recycled materials.

Rainbow Fizzy Pots Ages 6+.
THU. MAR. 16, 4-5PM | Make different colors of the rainbow fizz!

Cotton Ball Painting Ages 3-6.
SAT. MAR. 18, 10:30-11:30AM | Make your own art using paint and cotton balls.

Illustrate with Author Katia Wish Ages 6+.
SAT. MAR. 18, 2-3PM | Katia shares the process of writing and illustrating the book Raccoon’s Perfect Snowman, then reads her story followed by an art activity!

Rock Painting Ages 6+.
MON. MAR. 20, 4-5PM | Paint your own design on a rock for your upcoming garden or room.

Drop-In Rainbow Spinners Ages 8+.
MON. MAR. 20, 5-8PM | Come make a rainbow spinner to celebrate spring.

Watercolor Painting Ages 2+.
TUE. MAR. 21, 11AM-12PM | Create your own watercolor painting!

Sunday Family Storytime All ages.
SUN. MAR. 26, 3-3:30PM | Read stories, sing interactive songs, and make a craft. Fun for the whole family!

American Sign Language (ASL) Storytime Ages 2-5.
WED. MAR. 29, 10:30-11:15AM | CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM | Join us for a special ASL storytime and craft led and sponsored by The Mosesian Center for the Arts. We will have an Interpreter and teach some signs from the key words of the story!

Lego League Ages 5+.
MON. MAR. 27, 4:30-6:30PM | CRAFT ROOM | Make a LEGO creation based on each month’s theme.

MCAULIFFE BRANCH SPECIAL EVENTS

Dinosaur Themed Scavenger Hunt All ages. DAILY IN MARCH

American Sign Language (ASL) Storytime Ages 2-5.
FRI. MAR. 3, 10:30-11:15AM | COMMUNITY ROOM | Join us for a special ASL storytime led and sponsored by The Mosesian Center for the Arts. We will have an Interpreter and teach some signs from the key words of the story!

Upcycle Gardeners Ages 7-11.
MON. MAR. 6, 4-5PM | COMMUNITY ROOM, ASTRONAUT GROVE | Local food garden coach Safiyat with Tast y Harvests will lead the Upcycle Gardeners club at McAuliffe Library to teach kids how to turn everyday household objects into food gardens! Bring a warm jacket. We’ll be outside if weather permits! Please register HERE.

Studio Ghibli Movie and Craft Morning – Kiki’s Delivery Service Ages 5+.
THU. MAR. 9, 10:30AM-12:30PM | COMMUNITY ROOM, CRAFT ROOM | Watch a movie and then make a cool Kiki craft!

Open Lego & Block Build Ages 5+.
TUE. MAR. 14, 4-5PM | CRAFT ROOM | Drop in and make something creative with Legos and Keva Planks.

Spring Theme Open Color All ages.
THU. MAR. 16, 3:30-5PM | CRAFT ROOM | Drop by for some spring themed coloring!

Origami Fun Ages 7-11.
TUE. MAR. 21, 3:30-5PM | CRAFT ROOM | Come on in for some fun with Origami!

Dot Painting Ages 3-5.
FRI. MAR. 24, 10-11AM | CRAFT ROOM | Paint something creative with other preschool age friends.

Collage Afternoon Ages 5-11.
WED. MAR. 29, 3:30-5PM | CRAFT ROOM | Drop in and make your own creation using a variety of collage materials.

Women’s History Month Programs: Women in S.T.E.A.M.

Drop-In Constellation Building Ages 8+. MON. MAR. 6, 5-8PM | Make constellation viewers so you can explore the night sky even on cloudy nights.

Plastic Bag Bracelets Ages 8+.
SAT. MAR. 11, 2-3PM | Learn about Isatou Ceesay and the recycling women of Gambia while making bracelets out of old plastic shopping bags.

WED. MAR. 29, 6-7PM | Learn about archaeologists and paleontologists while making your own fossils using air dry clay.

Please visit our WEBSITE for more event details.

Main Library
49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570
Mon.-Thu. 9-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9-5 | Sun. 12-5

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library
746 Water Street | 508-532-5636
Mon.-Thu. 9:30-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9:30-5 | Sun. 12-4
## CHILDREN’S MARCH 2023 PROGRAMS

### SUN  MON  TUE  WED  THU  FRI  SAT

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  Wed. Mar. 29, 10:30-11:15am @ Main  
  Fri. Mar. 3, 10:30-11:15am @ MCA |

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| 12         | Bookworm Book Club with Max  
  2-3pm @ MCA |
| 13         | Constellation Building  
  5-8pm @ Main  
  Upcycle Gardeners  
  4-5pm @ MCA |
| 14         | Handprint Butterflies  
  10:30-11:30am @ Main |
| 15         | Studio Ghibli + Craft  
  10:30-12:30pm @ MCA  
  Planting Craft  
  2-3pm @ Main |
| 16         | Plastic Bag Bracelets  
  2-3pm @ Main |
| 17         | Musical Instrument Play  
  SAT. MAR. 4, 10:30-11AM | MAIN, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM |
| 18         | Sensory Crafts  
  String Light Boxes  
  SAT. MAR. 25, 10:30-11 @ Main |

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| 26         | Open Lego/Block Build  
  4-5pm @ MCA |
| 27         | Watercolor Painting  
  11-12am @ Main  
  Origami Fun  
  3:30-5pm @ MCA |
| 28         | Leprechaun Traps  
  6-7pm @ Main |
| 29         | Spring Open Color  
  3:30-5pm @ Main  
  Fizzy Rainbow Pots  
  4-5pm @ Main |
| 30         | Crochet Workshop  
  6:30-8pm @ Main |
| 31         | Dot Painting  
  10-11am @ MCA  
  Sewing Workshop  
  2-4pm @ Main |

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| 31         | Open Lego & Block Build  
  4-5pm @ Main  
  Rainbow Spinners  
  5-6pm @ Main |

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| 26         | Lego League  
  3:30-6:30pm @ Main  
  Book Buddies  
  5-6pm @ Main |
| 27         | Collage Afternoon  
  3:30-5pm @ MCA  
  Fossil Making  
  6-7pm @ Main |

### Weekly Storytimes (Ages 2-5)

**Mauliffe:** Mondays, 10-10:30am  
**Main:** Thursdays, 10-10:30am

### Weekly Baby Lapsit (Ages 0-2)

**Mauliffe:** Tuesdays, 10-10:30am  
**Main:** Fridays, 10-11am

### Neurodiverse Storytime

**Sat. Mar. 11**  
**10-11am @ MCA**

### Sensory Crafts

**String Light Boxes**  
**Sat. Mar. 4, 10:30-11 @ Main**  
**Musical Instruments Play**  
**Sat. Mar. 25, 10:30-11 @ Main**

### Learn to Crochet Workshop

**For adults but all ages from 10+ are welcome!**

**THU. MAR. 23, 6:30-8PM**  
**Learn to sew a cinched bunny bag! Space and supplies are limited.**

**REGISTER.**

### Sewing Workshop: Bunny Bags Grades 5-8.

**SAT. MAR. 25, 2-4PM**  
**Learn to sew a cinched bunny bag! Space and supplies are limited.**

**REGISTRATION required.**

### ONGOING EVENTS

**Beginner Reader Book Club Grades K-2**

**1ST THU. OF EACH MONTH, 5-6PM**  
**MAIN, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM**  
**Join us for a Beginner Reader level book with a fun game or craft inspired by the story!**

**Bookworm Book Club with Max Ages 8-12**

**SUN. MAR. 5 & 19, 2-3PM**  
**MCAULIFFE, CRAFT ROOM**  
**Join 11th grader Max for a great book discussion. Pick up books ahead of time in the Children’s Room.**

**Neurodiverse Storytime Ages 3-8**

**SAT. MAR. 11, 10-11AM**  
**MCAULIFFE, COMMUNITY ROOM**  
**Storytime for a neurodiverse audience. Parent or supporting adult should accompany each child. Registration required at 508-532-5636 x 4 or drop by to sign up. Walk-ins welcome as space allows.**

**Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs**

**MON. MAR. 27, 5-6PM**  
**MAIN, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM**  
**SAT. MAR. 4, 11:30-12:30PM**  
**MCAULIFFE, CRAFT ROOM**  
**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.**

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**Please visit our [WEBSITE](http://www.framinghamlibrary.org) for more event details.**