Adventures in Lifelong Learning SPRING 2023
TUESDAYS APRIL 25, AND MAY 2, 9, & 16 | ZOOM
Enjoy remote courses for adults 60+! Online registration is required and is due by Friday, April 21. 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

Celebrate Spring with the May Baskets Raffle!
To Benefit LVM Literacy Unlimited
The baskets will be on view in the lobbies at the Main Library and McAuliffe Branch Library from April 18-May 31. More information on page 4.

The Bob Dodd Sunday Concert at FPL
SUNDAY APRIL 2, 3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE
Pianist Anthony Ratinov performs!
The series is sponsored in part by:

Eight Weeks in Ukraine: Life In the City of Lviv During War
TUESDAY APRIL 4, 6:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE
Lviv, Ukraine has managed to avoid large-scale destruction but how do residents manage to keep going while Russian missiles and Iranian drones cut power and water, and lay waste nearby. Join Tania Vitvitsky as she shares photos and stories of her recent visit to Lviv. Get a glimpse of life during war, how she managed a daily routine during frequent air raid sirens and assisted a rapidly expanding non-profit organization working with the neediest of families and children.

The Drive to Sing Documentary Screening
with filmmakers Bryce and Kathryn Denney
SUNDAY APRIL 30, 2-4PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM
The Drive to Sing is a new documentary about choirs during the pandemic and the importance of making music together. It is full of beautiful choral music recorded in very unusual places. Join Marlborough-based director and producer, Bryce and Kathryn Denney for this family-friendly film, followed by Q&A.

Registration or program questions: email framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com or call 508-532-5570.
McAuliffe Craft Ladies: Button Canvas Art
WEDNESDAY APRIL 19, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
Please join the McAuliffe Craft Ladies for an adult craft night! Create your own piece of canvas art with buttons, beads and sequins. REGISTER. Supplies and space are limited.

McAuliffe Sing-Along: Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again
TUESDAY APRIL 25, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
I have a dream, a song to sing~ Or you could just sing along with the entire Mamma Mia! And Mamma Mia! Here We Go Again for our first Musical Sing-Along!

Metrowest Performing Arts Center Faculty Recital: Dave McLellan
SATURDAY APRIL 1, 3-4PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM
Veteran classical guitarist Dave McLellan presents The Colorful 20th Century Guitar, a program full of rich and exciting musical colors. We explore the idea that the listener may see sounds in color, and those colors enhance the listening experience. Dave brings a lifetime of perspective to the music of Spain, Brazil, Cuba, Scotland, and the U.S.

Drop In Paper Quilling For Adults
MONDAY APRIL 3, 6:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB
Learn the basics of paper quilling to create beautiful designs. Imagine your own masterpiece or use our template! No registration required. While supplies last.

Lunchtime Learning Series: Stress Less – Joy More
FRIDAY APRIL 7, 12PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE
This interactive discussion led by MaryEllen Giombetti, professional coach and health consultant, will explore strategies to reduce stress and bring more joy into your life. Stress Less–Joy More will set you up with practical tips you can get busy implementing right away.

Cosplay 101
FRIDAY APRIL 14, 3PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
Want to know what Cosplay is? Want to hear about some good places to buy them, or how to build your own from scratch? Come learn some basics for Cosplay so that you can dress as your favorite characters!

Origami Letterfold Workshop For Adults
TUESDAY APRIL 18, 6:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB
April is National Letter Writing Month! Learn to fold three styles of envelopes. Then stay to write letters to mail in your envelopes. Supplies limited. REGISTER.

Creating Comics Series: World Building and Concept Art
TUESDAY APRIL 18, 6:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM
In this series we’re going to break down the components of comics so that you can make and tell your own stories. These lessons will apply for any project you want, like novels, short stories, or even video games!

Please visit our WEBSITE for more event details.
BOOK CLUBS

MAIN LIBRARY

Club de Lectores: Máscaras por Leonardo Padura (pages 121-240)
LUNES 3 DE ABRIL, 8PM | ZOOM | REGISTRESE.
5/1: El cuaderno de Maya por Isabel Allende (pages 1-240)
Adult Book Club: March by Geraldine Brooks
TUESDAY APRIL 4, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER.
Sci-Fi Book Club: Upgrade by Blake Crouch
WEDNESDAY APRIL 12, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER.

MCAULIFFE BRANCH

Evening Book Club: Burn Our Bodies Down by Rory Power
TUESDAY APRIL 11, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | REGISTER for the Zoom link.
Morning Book Club: The Paper Palace by Miranda Cowley Heller
THURSDAY APRIL 20, 10AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | REGISTER for the Zoom link.
5/18: The Guncle by Steven Rowley

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 APRIL 20, 7PM
Can the Food Industry Be Part of the Solution to Challenges in Food Systems?
Dr. Vinay Mannam, Associate Professor of Food Science, Department of Chemistry and Food Science, FSU

Art Journal Workshop

For Adults
TUESDAY APRIL 25, 6:30PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB
Get started creating an Art Journal out of recycled materials. No experience required, just a willingness to get messy and have some fun! Space is limited. REGISTER.

Please click on images to borrow these titles.

Come visit the Bookmobile at these Community Events!

Eastlegh Farmers Market
APR. 2, 12-3PM | EASTLEIGH FARM
EGGciting Event
APR. 8, 10:30AM-12PM | CUSHING PARK
Earth Day Festival
APR. 22, 11AM-3PM | CENTRE COMMON
Science on State Street
APR. 22, 4-6PM | 100 STATE ST.
Healthy Kids Day
APR. 29, 1-4PM | METROWEST YMCA
See our full CALENDAR. Veja nosso CALENDÁRIO completo. Todo nuestro CALENDARIO.

Community Event: The Arthur Nolletti, Jr. Film Series at FSU
Lunana: A Yak in the Classroom (2019) 1hr. 49min.
This Bhutanese film speaks to the power of education in a remote village in the Himalayas. Nominated for an Oscar. Monday, April 10, 7pm, Dwight Performing Arts Center, Framingham State University.

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MANY THANKS to our renewing corporate members: Bernardi Toyota in Framingham and Nelson Zide ERA Key Realty Services. And we are grateful to our new corporate member: Megan H. Sullivan, Esq. of Cunningham, Machanic, Cetlin, Johnson, Harney & Tenney, LLP.

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**Children’s April 2023 Programs**

**Main Library Special Events**

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**Silly Grasshopper Craft** Ages 5+.
TUE. APR. 4, 11AM-12PM
Make a grasshopper using popsicle sticks and foam.

**Bee Watering Dishes** Ages 7+.
SAT. APR. 8, 3-4PM
Save the bees! Design and paint your own terracotta bee water dish. Supplies limited.

**Earth Flower Craft** Ages 3+.
MON. APR. 10, 11AM-12PM
Using upcycled materials, create an Earth flower.

**LEGO League** Ages 6+.
WED. APR. 12, AND MON. APR. 24, 4:30-6:30PM
Make a LEGO creation based on each month’s theme.

**Clay Play** Ages 3+.
THU. APR. 13, 11AM-12PM
Drop-in and create with clay!

**Open Earth Day Coloring** All ages.
FRI. APR. 14, 11AM-1PM
Drop by for some earth/environment themed coloring!

**Nature Butterflies** Ages 3+.
SAT. APR. 15, 2-3:30PM
Create a beautiful butterfly out of natural materials.

**Gravity Rainclouds** Ages 6+.
TUE. APR. 18, 11-12PM
Make cotton ball clouds rain using gravity!

**Bloom and Grow Bug Crafts** Ages 2-10.
TUE. APR. 18, 2-4PM
Come make yarn-wrapped bugs and paper plate snails with local crafter, Kristin of Bloom and Grow Creative crafts.

**Wreck the Tech** All ages.
WED. APR. 19, 11AM-1PM
Let’s try our hand at classic technology tinkering! Older kids, find a younger buddy to team up with and conquer your electronic quest. All materials provided; drop in.

**Book Bingo** Ages 6-12.
WED. APR. 19, 6-7PM
Come play Bingo and win books!

**Composting 101** All ages.
SAT. APR. 22, 10AM-12PM
Katy from Black Earth Farm is joining us to talk about the biology of compost, composting at home, and how Black Earth does it on a large scale. Also, learn about our grant with Roots + Shoots to create more pollinator habitat around the library!

**Professor Bugman Presents: Arthropod Petting Zoo** All ages.
SAT. APR. 29, 12-1PM | COSTIN ROOM
Wanted: Brave Scientific Minds! Get up-close and personal with some of the biggest, creepiest, and friendliest insects you’ve ever seen!

**Sunday Family Storytime** All ages.
SUN. APR. 30, 3-3:30PM | CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM
Read stories, sing interactive songs, and make a craft. Fun for the whole family!

**Recycle, Compost, or Trash? Activity Game**
All Ages.
APR. 1-30 | MAIN LIBRARY AND MCAULIFFE BRANCH, CHILDREN’S ROOMS
Figure out if an item goes into Recycling, to Compost, or in the Trash with this interactive velcro wall game! Answers are located at the Children’s Desk.

**Open LEGO & Block Build** Ages 5+.
THU. APR. 13, 3:30-4:30PM | CRAFT ROOM
Drop in and make something creative with LEGOs and Keva Planks.

**Sun Prints** Ages 8+.
FRI. APR. 21, 2-3PM | ASTRONAUT GROVE
Make your own sun print to take home.

**Terrarium Building** Ages 7+.
SAT. APR. 22, 2-3PM | CRAFT ROOM
Celebrate Earth Day by building your own terrarium.

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

Main Library
49 Lexington Street | 508-532-5570
Mon.-Thu. 9-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9-5 | Sun. 1-5

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library
746 Water Street | 508-532-5636
Mon.-Thu. 9:30-9 | Fri.-Sat. 9:30-5 | Sun. 12-4

**Holiday Hours**
Both Libraries will be closed Sunday April 9 for Easter, and Sunday April 16- Monday April 17 for Patriots’ Day.

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McAuliffe: Mondays, 10-10:30am  
Main: Thursdays, 10-10:30am | **Weekly Baby Lapsit** (Ages 0-2)  
McAuliffe: Tuesdays, 10-10:30am  
Main: Fridays, 10:30-11am | **Sensory Crafts**  
Jello Dig  
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12-1pm @ Main | |
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| Sunday Family Storytime  
3-3:30pm @ Main | | | | | | |

**Book Buddies**  
Sat. Apr. 1  
10:30-11am @ MCA  
Sat. Apr. 22  
10:30-11am @ Main

**Earth Day Open Color**  
Fri. Apr. 14  
11am-1pm @ Main  
Tue. Apr. 18  
2-4pm @ MCA

**Magic Show with Magician Scott Martell**  
Wed. Apr. 19  
11am-12pm @ MCA

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**TWEEN EVENTS**

**Professional Wrestling Mania** All ages.  
WED. APR. 5, 6:30-8PM | MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN’S PROGRAM ROOM | Come talk about your favorite wrestlers and matches from the wild world of pro wrestling!

**Early Release Hangout** Ages 10+.  
THU. APR. 27, 1-3PM | McAuliffe, Community Room | Drop by for some fun crafts and games!

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**ONGOING EVENTS**

**Weekly Storytimes** Ages 2-5.  
MONDAYS 10-10:30AM | MCAULIFFE, CHILDREN’S ROOM  
THURSDAYS 10-10:30AM | MAIN, CHILDREN’S ROOM  
Age appropriate stories and craft with your favorite Children’s Librarian.

**Baby Lapsit** Ages 0-2 and their caregivers.  
TUESDAYS 10-10:30AM | MCAULIFFE, COMMUNITY ROOM  
Includes stories, songs, and a sensory component.  
FRIDAYS 10:30-11AM | MAIN, COSTIN ROOM  
Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets!

**Sensory Crafts**  
Fun, safe, simple activities to help you child explore.

**Jello Dig** Ages 1-4.  
SAT. APR. 1, 10:30-11AM | MAIN, SPARK LAB

**Bubble Play** Ages 1-4.  
SAT. APR. 22, 10:30-11AM | MAIN, COSTIN ROOM

**Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs**  
SAT. APR. 1, 11:30AM-12:30PM | MCAULIFFE, CRAFT ROOM  
SAT. APR. 8, 11:30AM-12:30PM | MAIN, CHILDREN’S ROOM  
Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your new Book Buddy.  
Registration required. Call 508-532-5636 or drop by to sign up for a time slot.

**Sensory Storytime** Ages 3-8.  
SAT. APR. 15, 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.

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**Early Childhood Alliance Events** Sign up HERE!  
Play, Learn, & Grow Together TUESDAYS 10AM  
Let’s Go to Kindergarten FRIDAYS 12PM

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