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Celebrate Spring with the May Baskets Raffle!

To Benefit LVM Literacy Unlimited
The raffle has something for everyone
— electronics, food, wine, fun, and
more! The baskets will be on view in
the lobbies at Framingham Library and
Christa McAuliffe Branch Library and
you can view them HERE.

Tickets are available at both venues. The cost is \$5 each, or 5 for \$20.

The raffle begins
April 18th and runs
through May 31st.
The drawing will be
held at noon on
June 5th.



All proceeds benefit the tutoring program for adults learning to read and learning to speak English, through our basic literacy and ESOL programs.

Calling all Tutors!

The Homework Center is searching for volunteer tutors in all subjects

for after school help this fall.



Please contact Dawn at ddellasanta@minlib.net for more information.



Lunchtime Learning Series: South American Myths & Cosmology: An Illustrated Journey

FRIDAY MAY 5, 12PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE

A presentation of Pre-Colombian myths, legends and deities from the Andes Mountain region. Focused mainly on the Inca Empire and its predecessors, this talk will be accompanied by the speaker's original paintings illustrating the scenes of gods, goddesses and legendary heroes.

McAuliffe Comic Con

SATURDAY MAY 6, 12-4PM | CHRISTA MCAULIFFE BRANCH LIBRARY Come join us for our very own Comic Con! We'll be hosting a Cosplay Contest, Star Wars Trivia, crafts, and all kinds of fun programs. Costumes and Cosplay are encouraged!

Wallace Nutting Pictures, Books, Furniture & Memorabilia WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 7-8PM | ZOOM

Framingham's Wallace Nutting was America's foremost photographer during the early 20th century and between 1900 and his death in 1941, Nutting sold more than 5,000,000 of his hand-colored photographs to America. He also authored 10 books, reproduced some of the finest early American Furniture ever produced, and his memorabilia has been widely collected for the past 60 years. Mike Ivankovich, noted Nutting author and auctioneer, will take us through Wallace Nutting's accomplishments, and much more, in this special Framingham Public Library Program. **REGISTER** for the Zoom link.

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

Main Library

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

Christa McAuliffe Branch Library

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

Holiday Hours

Both Libraries will be closed Saturday May 27 through Monday May 29 for Memorial Day. 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.









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McAuliffe Craft Ladies: **Painted Inspirational Rocks**

WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY

Join the Craft Ladies and paint some inspirational rocks. Keep for yourself, give away, or put someplace random and cheer up the person who finds it! REGISTER. Space and supplies are limited.





Family Card Making

TUESDAY MAY 2. 3-8PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Drop in and create cards for the special people in your life.

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 MAY 4, 7PM

Let's Get Future-Fit: Envisioning Metrowest Beyond the Climate

Emergency with Dr. Sabine von Mering, Director of the Center for German and **European Studies at Brandeis University** and a climate activist with 350 Mass Metrowest

What could Framingham and the Metrowest area look like if we decided to finally take the climate emergency as seriously as science tells us we must? If we chose to live within planetary boundaries? How do we transform everything—our neighborhoods, our economy, our food and transportation systems etc. in a way that is just and equitable?

The Bob Dodd Sunday Concert at FPL

SUNDAY MAY 7, 3PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM AND YOUTUBE LIVE

Brother and sister cellists Sam and Carol Ou perform! st. mary's The series is sponsored

in part by: Roche Bros. Middlese Savings



Extreme Survival: Lessons from Those Who Triumphed **Against All Odds**

SATURDAY MAY 13, 1PM | MCAULIFFE **BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM** Join NY Times bestselling author Michael J. Tougias to hear the stories of those who've survived some of life's most daunting challenges and to learn life-saving lessons.

Bee Watering Dishes

MONDAY MAY 15, 6:30PM MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB

Save the bees! During droughts, bees may struggle to find appropriate sources of water. Help them out! Design and paint your own terracotta bee water dish to put in your yard and catch rain water. Drop in. Supplies limited.

Please visit our WEBSITE for more event details.

FILM S ca

MAIN LIBRARY COSTIN ROOM

Elvis (2022) 2hr. 39min. PG-13. FRIDAY MAY 5, 7PM

Film Noir: The Long Goodbye (1973) 1hr. 52min. R. SATURDAY MAY 13, 3PM

The Goldfinch (2019) 2hr. 29min. R. MONDAY MAY 22, 2PM

MCAULIFFE BRANCH COMMUNITY ROOM

Animatinee: Ride Your Wave (2019) 1hr. 36min. NR. TUESDAY MAY 9, 3:30PM

Spider-man: Into the Spider-verse (2019) 1hr. 47min. PG. WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 1PM

Everything Everywhere All at Once (2022) 2hr. 19min. R. WEDNESDAY MAY 17, 1PM

Musical: Little Shop of Horrors (1986) 1hr. 34min. PG-13. TUESDAY MAY 30, 1PM



BOOK CLUBS

MAIN LIBRARY

Club de Lectores: El cuaderno de Maya por Isabel Allende (pages 1-240) LUNES 1 DE MAYO, 8PM | ZOOM | REGÍSTRESE. 6/5: El cuaderno de Maya por Isabel Allende (pages 241-480)

Adult Book Club: Remains of the Day by Kazoo Ishiguro

TUESDAY MAY 2, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER. 6/6: The Kitchen God's Wife by Amy Tan

Sci-Fi Book Club: Walkaway by Cory Doctorow

WEDNESDAY MAY 10, 7PM | ZOOM | REGISTER. 6/14: TBA

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Please click on images to borrow these titles.



STEVEN ROWLEY

MCAULIFFE BRANCH

Evening Book Club: A Tale for the Time Being by Ruth Ozeki

TUESDAY MAY 9, 7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | REGISTER for the Zoom link. 6/13: The Christie Affair by Nina de Gramont

Morning Book Club: The Guncle by Steven Rowley

THURSDAY MAY 18, 10AM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM AND ZOOM | **REGISTER** for the Zoom link.

6/15: River Sing Me Home by Eleanor Shearer

Creating Comics Series: Script Writing and Storyboarding

TUESDAY MAY 16, 6PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

Part 2 in the Creating Comics Series! We will break down the different 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!

Virtual Reality Tour: Notes on Blindness

MON-WED MAY 22-24, 2-7PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM

After going completely blind in 1983, John Hull documented his new circumstances on cassette tapes to make sense of the change. This virtual reality experience blends these original recordings with an immersive narrative to create a "cognitive and emotional experience of blindness." Please call the McAuliffe Branch at 508-532-5636 or sign up at HERE to reserve your time slot.

Come visit the Bookmobile

at these Community Events! Eastleigh Farmers Market SUNDAY MAY 7, 11AM-3PM |

EASTLEIGH FARM, 1062 EDMANDS RD. See our full CALENDAR. Veia nosso CALENDÁRIO completo.

Community Event

Todo nuestro CALENDARIO.

The Framingham Cultural Council is pleased to announce it will be holding its 2023 Awards Reception Thursday, May 11 in the Framingham Public Library Costin Room, 6:30-8pm. 2023 grantees and scholarship recipients will be honored.

Main Library Ongoing Food Drive

Please consider donating to the Hope Worldwide Food Pantry. Or write a check and mail it to: Hope Worldwide Food Pantry, 214 Concord St., Framingham, MA 01702. THANK YOU!

ONGOING EVENTS

Tone & Stretch

MONDAYS, 4:30PM | ZOOM (except 5/29) 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—or bring your own!

Board Game Night

MONDAY MAY 22, 7-8PM | MCAULIFFE, COMMUNITY ROOM This month: Monsters and mayhem! Play King of Tokyo and Fluxx with us.

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 MAY 17, 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. **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

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

Swap a puzzle you've already completed or take a new one home to try!

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RESOURCES

Literacy Unlimited



Join Our Community!

Are you an adult who wants to improve your spoken English or reading ability? Or would you like

to volunteer your time to help an adult achieve their English learning goals? To learn more about our English one-toone tutoring, our English Conversation classes, and our community, check out our website **HERE** or contact us at: fplmail4@minlib.net or 508-532-5574.

Homework Center

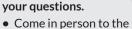
We provide free tutoring, homework and school project help to students K-12. Please email ddellasanta@minlib.net for more information!



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**.

Ask a Librarian We make it easy to ask



- Reference Desk at either library.
- Call the Main Library Reference Desk at 508-532-5570 ext. 4361 or the McAuliffe Reference Desk at 508-532-5636, ext. 4313.
- Or submit your question online.

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 May, we're going to be working on a group build in Creative Mode.

Board Games Grades 6-12.

THURSDAY MAY 4, 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.

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

Tea Bag Art Grades 6-12.

THURSDAY MAY 11, 5:30-7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, TEEN ROOM Draw or paint your own tiny masterpiece using dried tea bags.

Anime Club Grades 6-12.

SATURDAY MAY 13, 2-5PM | MAIN LIBRARY, COSTIN ROOM Watch your favorite anime and eat tasty Japanese snacks!



Early Release Day Movie and Popcorn Grades 4-8. THURSDAY MAY 18, 12:30-2:30PM | 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 y'all can pick what we watch.

Mug Meals - Peach Cobbler! Grades 6-12. THURSDAY MAY 25, 5:30-7PM | MAIN LIBRARY, SPARK LAB TUESDAY MAY 30, 3-4:30PM | MCAULIFFE BRANCH, COMMUNITY ROOM Let's celebrate spring by making a tasty (and easy) peach cobbler!



The Seed Lending Library

Pick up some seeds! We have a big variety of vegetables for you to try. There are little seed packages at the Main Library, the McAuliffe Branch and on the Bookmobile. Questions? Please email framinghamlibraryseeds@gmail.com.

SUPPORTERS



Still Time to Order **Spring Plantings**

FRAMINGHAM Order by May 15, 2023.

Place your order on The

Friends/Flower Power Fundraising website **HERE.** Your order will be shipped directly

May 20 Book Sale

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.

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

Framingham Public Library Foundation News

The Framingham Public Library Foundation is raising funds to create a new space in the Main Library for the Literacy Unlimited Program. Literacy

Unlimited provides individual tutoring and group classes for adults wishing to learn English. To support the Literacy Unlimited Center, 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.

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ALL MONTH EVENT

Bug Scavenger Hunt

All ages.

ALL MONTH, MAIN LIBRARY, CHILDREN'S ROOM

Drop in and see if you can find all the "bugs" hidden in the Children's Room!

Please visit our WEBSITE for more event details.

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Holiday Hours

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CHILDREN'S

MAY 2023 PROGRAMS

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

Cherry Blossom Finger Painting

Ages 2+.

MON. MAY 1, 11AM-12PM | Create your own cherry blossom tree painting.

I Lava You Volcanoes Ages 3+.

WED, MAY 3, 10AM-11:30AM

Listen to the pacific islands inspired short Lava while making a handprint volcano!

May the 4th Be With You: DIY

Lightsabers Grades 3-7.

THU. MAY 4, 6-7PM

Build your own lightsaber out of pool noodles.

Revenge of the 5th: Baby Yoda Craft Ages 3+.

FRI. MAY 5, 3:30-4:30PM

Drop-in and make your own Baby Yoda craft!

Native Flower Seed Bombs Ages 6+.

SAT. MAY 6, 3-4PM

Create your own art using flowers as paint brushes!

Flower Painting Ages 3+.

TUE. MAY 9, 10:30-11:30AM

Create your own art using flowers as paint brushes!

Lego League Ages 5+.

WED. MAY 10 AND MON. MAY 22, 4:30-6:30PM Make a LEGO creation based on each month's

Caregiver Craft All ages.

FRI. MAY 12, 3:30-4:30PM

Make a craft for your special person ahead of Mother's Day.

I Lava You Volcanoes Ages 5+.

THU. MAY 18, 4-5:30PM

Listen to the pacific islands inspired short Lava while making a handprint volcano!

Color Changing Playdough Ages 6+.

SAT. MAY 20, 3-4PM

Make your own Playdough that changes colors!

Book Bingo Ages 6-12.

WED. MAY 24, 6-7PM

Come play Bingo and win books!

Early Release Movie: Raya and the Last

Dragon All ages. (2021) PG, 107 mins. CC

THU. MAY 25, 2PM, COSTIN ROOM

In the realm of Kumandra, a warrior named Raya is determined to find the last dragon.

MCAULIFFE BRANCH SPECIAL EVENTS

Upcycle Gardeners Ages 7+.

MON. MAY. 1, 4-5PM | CRAFT ROOM Join the upcycle gardeners to grow popcorn microgreens with friends. Please REGISTER.

Studio Ghibli Movie and Craft

Afternoon - Spirited Away Ages 5+.

THU. MAY. 4, 1:30-3:30PM | COMMUNITY ROOM Watch a movie and then make a cool Spirited Away craft!

Star Wars Craft Ages 5+.

THU. MAY. 4, 1:30-2:30PM | CRAFT ROOM May the Fourth be with you Star Wars craft!

Open Lego & Block Build Ages 5+.

TUE. MAY. 9, 4-5PM | CRAFT ROOM Drop in and make something creative with LEGOs

and Keva Planks. Special Person's Craft Ages 5+.

THU. MAY 11, 1-3PM | CRAFT ROOM

Make a craft for your special person ahead of Mother's Day.

Lei Making Craft Ages 10+.

THU. MAY. 18, 1:30-3PM | CRAFT ROOM Take home a beautiful flower lei.

Feather Painting Ages 3+.

FRI. MAY. 19, 11AM-12PM | CRAFT ROOM Paint something creative with other preschool age friends.

Grow Your Own Rock Candy Ages 8+.

TUE. MAY. 23, 3:30-4:30PM | CRAFT ROOM Watch your crystals grow at home after creating them at the Library.

Author Deborah Farmer - Storytime and Parent Chat Ages 3-7.

THU. MAY. 25, 2-3PM | COMMUNITY ROOM Listen to one of her books from All the Time book Series and participate in a parent chat.

TWEEN EVENTS

Wind Chimes Grades 4-8



MON. MAY 8, 5:30-6:30PM, MAIN, SPARK LAB Decorate a terracotta pot and attach various noise making materials for your own wind chime.

Secrets of the Superheroes! Comic

Book History and Workshop Grades 6-12 WED. MAY 17, 6:30-8PM | MAIN, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM

Talk about your favorite superheroes, design your own characters, and bring your artwork

Spark Lab Satellite: Spoon Garden

MON. MAY 8, 6-7 PM | MCAULIFFE, CRAFT ROOM Join us making Spoon Garden Signs!



CHILDREN'S MAY 2023 PROGRAMS

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
*	Cherry Blossom Finger Painting 11am-12pm @ Main Upcycle Gardeners 4-5pm @ MCA	*	I <i>Lava</i> You Volcanoes 10-11:30am @ Main	Studio Ghibli + Craft 1:30-3:30pm @ MCA		Native Flower Seed Bombs 3-4pm @ Main
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Wind Chimes 5:30-6:30pm @ Main Spoon Garden Labels 6-7pm @ MCA	Flower Painting 10:30-11:30am @ Main Open Lego/Block Build 4-5pm @ MCA	Lego League 4:30-6:30pm @ Main	Special Person Craft 1-3pm @ MCA	Caregiver Craft 3:30-4:30pm @ Main	Neurodiverse Storytime 10-11am @ MCA Book Buddies 11:30-12:30pm @ Main
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	Lego League 4:30-6:30pm @ Main Macramé Plant Jars 6-7pm @ Main	Grow Your Own Rock Candy 3:30-5pm @ MCA	Book Bingo 6-7pm @ Main	Author Deborah Farmer 2-3pm @ MCA Movie: Raya and the Last Dragon 2-4pm @ Main		Closed
28	29	30	31			Star Wars
Closed	Closed					Programs Thursday, May 4 Star Wars Craft: 1:30-2:30 @ MCA
		Weekly Baby Lapsit (Ages 0-2) McAuliffe: Tuesdays, 10-10:30am Main: Fridays, 10:30-11am		Sensory Crafts Sand/Water Table Sat. May. 13, 10:30-11 @ Main Nature Scent Jars Sat. May 20, 10:30-11 @ Main		DIY Lightsabers: 6- 7pm @ Main Friday, May 5 Baby Yoda Craft: 3: 30-4:30 @ Main

ONGOING EVENTS

Weekly Storytimes Ages 2-5.

MONDAYS 10-10:30AM | MCAULIFFE, CHILDREN'S ROOM (except May 29) THURSDAYS 10-10:30AM | MAIN, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM 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, and simple activities to help your child explore. Sand/Water Table Ages 1-4. SAT. MAY 13, 10:30-11AM | MAIN, SPARK LAB Nature Scent Jars Ages 1-4. SAT. MAY 20, 10:30-11AM | MAIN, SPARK LAB

Book Buddies: Reading to Dogs

SAT. MAY 13, 11:30AM-12:30PM | MAIN, CHILDREN'S PROGRAM ROOM SAT. MAY 20, 11:30AM-12:30PM | MCAULIFFE, CRAFT 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. MAY 13, 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.

Early Childhood Alliance Events Sign up HERE! Play, Learn, & Grow Together TUESDAYS 10AM EARLY CHILDHOOD ALLIANCE Uniting for Young Children, the Heart of our Community Uniting for Young Children, the Heart of our Community

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