Celebrate Spring with the May Baskets Raffle!

The May Baskets Raffle benefits LVM Literacy Unlimited, the adult tutoring program in MetroWest. Tickets are available at Framingham Library, Christa McAuliffe Branch Library, and Morse Institute Library (Natick), and cost $3 each, or 5 for $10. We have a basket for everyone—electronics, toys, gift certificates, wine, fun, and more! The raffle runs from April 29-May 31. More at www.framinghamlibrary.org/maybaskets.htm.

SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES: Special Mother’s Day Concert with Jenny Tang

Sunday May 12, 3pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Jenny Tang is a pianist who has performed solo recitals throughout New England, maintains a private studio in New York City and is a freelance conductor. Musical selections may include Schubert, Mendelssohn, Chopin, Schumann, Brahms, Liszt, Debussy, Lili Boulanger, Ginastera, and Tan Dun. The series is sponsored in part by Metro Credit Union, Roche Brothers Markets, Brookdale Senior Living Solutions, St. Mary’s Credit Union, Law Office of Jeffrey M. Steinberg, and Friends of the Framingham Library.

Banner Unveiling Open House

Tuesday May 7, 6-7:30pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Beautiful new banners are being installed in our parking areas at both Libraries. Come have a look!

Part of a photography project to represent and celebrate our wonderful patrons, these banners were made possible by the many community members who offered to take part in the project, and the support of Friends of the Framingham Library. We hope they inspire you to discover all your Library has to offer!

Plan the future of YOUR Library!

You’re Invited to Framingham Public Library’s Community Forums!

HOW CAN WE BETTER SERVE YOU:

• In your neighborhood? • Within the Library spaces? • With the Library collection? • With marketing and outreach?

Please attend one (or more) of our Community Forums and help us write our Long Range Plan. Let your voice be heard and help shape the future of the Library!

Monday May 6, 7-9pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Saturday May 11, 10am-12pm – Main Library, Costin Room

Saturday May 18, 10am-12pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Wednesday May 22, 7-9pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room

Email framinghamlrp@gmail.com to save your space. RSVP appreciated but not required.

COMING JUNE 29

Adult Summer Reading Kick-off! Saturday June 29, 9am-4pm – Main Library, Costin Room

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Main Library
49 Lexington Street | 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 | 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 Saturday May 25, Sunday May 26 and Monday May 27 for Memorial Day.

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Additional refreshments generously provided by Trader Joe’s.

Be AMAZED
Books are just the beginning!

Conect with us on:

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**FILMS**

**MONDAY MATINEE: The Mule**  
(2018) 1 hr. 56 min. Rated R for language and brief sexuality/nudity.  
Monday May 13, 2pm – Main Library, Costin Room  
Directed and starring Clint Eastwood as a 90-year-old horticulturist and Korean War veteran turned drug mule for a Mexican cartel.

**MCAULIFFE MATINEE: Stan and Ollie**  
(2018) 1 hr. 38 min. Rated PG.  
Wednesday May 29, 2pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room  
In 1953, with their golden era behind them, comedy team Laurel & Hardy set out on a variety hall tour of Britain. The tour becomes a hit, but long-buried ghosts and Oliver’s failing health start to threaten their partnership. Aware that they are approaching their swan song, they rediscover just how much they mean to each other.

**FRIDAY NIGHT FLICKS: Bohemian Rhapsody**  
(2018) 2 hr. 14 min. Rated PG-13 for thematic elements, suggestive material, drug content and language.  
Friday May 31, 7pm – Main Library, Costin Room  
Enter on the Lexington Street side from 6:30-7:15pm.  
Bohemian Rhapsody is an enthralling celebration of Queen, their music, and their extraordinary lead singer Freddie Mercury, who defied stereotypes and convention to become one of history’s most beloved entertainers. Oscar winner, Rami Malek stars as Freddie Mercury.

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**Framingham Cultural Council Art Competition and Awards Reception**  
The Framingham Cultural Council held its second art competition for Framingham students ages 11-18. This year’s theme was “Kindness.” Submissions will be displayed in the Main Library’s Costin Room and Lobby Gallery through the month of May. Art competition winners will be announced Thursday May 30, during the Council’s annual Awards Reception, held in the Costin Room from 6-8:30pm. Light refreshments will be served. Mayor Yvonne Spicer will be in attendance.

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**Citizenship Corner News**  
*Are you interested in becoming a citizen?*  
Come to a workshop on Tuesday May 21, 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!
The Homework Center

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the Sixth Annual Fashion Show and Afternoon Tea
Sunday May 5, 2-4pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Fashions provided by SKM Jewelers, located on Route 9 in Framingham.

Guests will view a variety of Spring fashions. SKM jewelry and accessories will be available for purchase. This is a wonderful Mother’s Day gift for mom, grandma, a sister or friends.

Tickets are $25.00 and are available for purchase Monday April 15, at the Main Library and the Christa McAuliffe Branch. Proceeds will benefit the Homework Center. SKM will also donate 30% of sales from this event!

What’s All the Buzz About?
Thursday May 23, 7-9pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Participate in the City-wide Middle School Spelling Bee! Sign up in your middle school office.
Sponsored by Framingham School Committee Member Beverly Hugo, and the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org

BOOK SALE!
Saturday May 18 – 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
All hardcover fiction discard books are half price this month at 2 for $1.00!! This month we also have an assortment of interesting and diverse books at $2.00 each in our lobby. 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.

BROWN BAG LEARNING SERIES (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. Main Library, Costin Room.

MAY 3: House Buying 101 Presented by Konstantina Choros
JUNE 7: The Fascinating Hobby of Amateur Radio Presented by Framingham Amateur Radio Association

INNOVATE, CREATE, COLLABORATE!
WHAT WILL YOU MAKE?
Please help the Framingham Public Library Foundation reach the $27,000 fundraising goal for the Makerspace—a STEAM space where people of all ages can create all sorts of things and acquire science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics skills with Library staff guidance. And, the Makerspace is FREE to all. To help us reach our 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.
- Create posters and more with design software, a laminator and a large format printer.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org
**YOUNG ADULTS**

**PROGRAMS FOR GRADES 6-12**

**Video Game Hangout**
Thursday May 9, 3-5pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Video games and snacks!

**AniManga Club**
Saturday May 11, 1:30-3:30pm – Main Library, Costin Room
For everyone who enjoys Anime and Manga. We’ll watch some of your favorite anime TV shows, and eat Japanese snacks.

**Early Release Teen Movie Face Off: Escape Room vs. Happy Death Day 2U**
Thursday May 23, 12:30-2:30pm – Main Library & McAuliffe Branch
It’s a half day from school, so that means it’s movie time! Who wants to wait until October to watch a scary movie? Not me! So let’s watch either Escape Room or Happy Death Day 2U with plenty of snacks.

**Make It! Paint Party**
Tuesday May 28, 6-8pm – Main Library, Costin Room
Kyia Watkins from At Peace Arts will help teens create their own masterPEACE! Paint the featured design or create something completely different. Kyia will help from start to finish. This is the third of our Make It! program series focusing on art and creativity. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Framingham Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency.

**Upcycled Calendar Crafts**
Thursday May 30, 3-4:30pm – McAuliffe Branch Library
We’ve got old calendars and maps galore, and they’re waiting for you to turn them into cool new things! We’ll have materials for making mosaic art, gift bags and bows, envelopes, marble magnets and more.

**BOOK GROUPS**

**MAIN LIBRARY**

**The Wife** by Meg Wolitzer
Tuesday May 7, 7pm – Main Library, Trustees Room
En route to accompany her husband in accepting yet another prestigious literary prize, Joan has decided to stop playing the role of supportive wife, turning a blind eye to her husband’s transgressions, subjugating her own talents along the way. This is an acerbic and astonishing take on marriage and the truth that beneath the surface there so often lies a secret.

**Semiosis** by Sue Burke
Wednesday May 8, 7-8pm – Main Library, Trustees Room
A ship of human colonists lands on a planet they name Pax, which is inhabited by familiar-enough plants and animals but no advanced life. The colonists soon discover, though, that in the absence of a dominant species, much life on Pax, which is a billion years older than Earth, has inched its way toward sentience.

**SCI-FI**

**MINDFULNESS**

**Why Buddhism is True: the Science and Philosophy of Meditation and Enlightenment** by Robert Wright
Saturday May 11, 10am – Main Library, Trustees Room
This compelling and thoroughly enjoyable book clarifies how Buddhism and mindfulness meditation are powerful paths to seeing through our distortions and illusions. The author writes with wit and humor and through the lens of evolutionary psychology. Read and set yourself on a road to freedom.

**MCAULIFFE BRANCH**

**They Both Die at the End** by Adam Silvera
Thursday May 16, 10-11am – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: They’re going to die today. They are total strangers, but they’re both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: There’s an app for that. It’s called the Last Friend, and through it, they are about to meet up for one last great adventure—to live a lifetime in a single day.

**Drop-in Resume Help**
Tuesdays May 7, 14, 21, and 28, 10am-12:30pm – Main Library
Get expert help with resumes, cover letters and job-search strategies.

**Journal Writer’s Group**
Tuesdays May 7, 14, 21, and 28, 7-8pm – Christa McAuliffe Branch, Craft Room
Join us as we work through To Our Children’s Children: Preserving Family Histories for Generations to Come by Bob Green and D. G. Fulford. Weekly discussion and exercises will help you capture and share your personal and family history. Please bring a fresh notebook.

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We’ve got old calendars and maps galore, and they’re waiting for you to turn them into cool new things! We’ll have materials for making mosaic art, gift bags and bows, envelopes, marble magnets and more.

**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.

**Veterans Coffee Hour**
Friday May 17, 9:30-10:30am – McAuliffe Branch, Community Room
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!

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Main Library Special Events

Early Release Keva Plank Build
Thursday May 2, 3-5pm, Children’s Craft Room. Grades K+.
Explore your artistic nature, problem solve and engage in play with the deceptively simple KEVA planks.

Dads & Donuts
Saturday May 4, 10-11pm, Costin Room. All ages.
Bond with your dad (and with donuts) through stories, songs and fun. Mothers, siblings, and other family members welcome! Volunteer readers and donut donators needed; contact the Children’s Room, 508-532-5570 x4, for details.

Movie Matinee: Kid Who Would Be King
(2019) 120 min. Rated PG for fantasy action violence, scary images, thematic elements including some bullying, and language.
Saturday May 4, 2-4pm, Costin Room. All ages at parents discretion.
An unexceptional English boy pulls Excalibur from a rock and is informed by Merlin that he is destined to lead the charge against evil medieval enchantress Morgana le Fay’s attempt to conquer the world.

Origami Club
Led by Lucas Gustafson, a high schooler who started folding at the age of 6 and is a longtime member of the MIT Origami Club.

Mothers’ Day Open Craft
Saturday May 11, 10am-1pm, Children’s Craft Room. All ages.
Drop in and make a heartfelt handicraft for your mom to celebrate her on her day! We supply materials and ideas; you supply the clever hands and the loving hearts.

Storycraft with Mary Beth Numbers
Saturday May 11, 10:30-11:30am, Children’s Program Room. Ages 6+.
Would you like to hear a tale from Africa? Come hear about how the first human in Uganda outsmarted a wizard when he listened to the important advice of a friend. We’ll end with a craft that matches the book. The author is a second grade teacher from Holliston School District who travels to Uganda each year!

Early Release Makers’ Workshop: Upcycled Bird Feeders
Thursday May 16, 3:30-5pm, Children’s Craft Room. Ages 5+.
Did you know that birds are very important to our local ecosystem? Besides being beautiful and singing us awake each morning, birds are powerful pollinators! This month we will be making bird feeders out of recycled materials to feed our feathery friends.

Early Release Open LEGO
Wednesday May 23, 3-5pm, Children’s Craft Room. Grades K+.
Drop in and make something creative with our supplied LEGOs. Look through our idea books or design your own structure!

Christa McAuliffe Branch Special Events

Mother’s Day Drop In Craft
Saturday May 11, 1-3pm, Craft Room. All ages.
Drop in and create a craft just in time for Mothers’ Day.

Early Release Open Play
Thursday May 16, 3-4:30pm, Craft Room. All ages.
Drop in and make something creative with Keva Planks, Legos, Magnatiles, and more!
### McAuliffe Branch Ongoing Events

- **Weekly Story Time**
  - Tuesdays 10-10:45am, ages 0-2 with an adult.
  - Sing and play with words, rhyme, and puppets!
- **Drop-In Baby Lapsit**
  - Mondays 10-10:20am, ages 2-4.
  - Stories, school readiness activities, maybe a craft.
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### Main Library Ongoing Events

- **Weekly Story Time**
  - Fridays May 10 and 24, and Saturday May 18, 10:30-11am, ages 0-2 with an adult.
  - Sing and play with rhyme, and puppets!
- **Weekly Story Time**
  - Sundays May 5 and 19, 2-3pm and Saturday May 11, 3-4pm, all ages. Registration required. Call 508-532-5570 x4 for a 15 minute slot.
  - Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read aloud from a book of their choice.

### Special Play Space Activities

- Thursdays 6-8pm and Fridays 11am-1pm, preschool ages.* Play with the rotating stations. Check out our Facebook page to discover which station we will showcase each week.
- Thursdays 6-8pm and Fridays 11am-1pm, all ages. Registration required. Call 508-532-5570 x4 for a 15 minute slot.
  - Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read aloud from a book of their choice.

### Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs

- Wednesdays April 10-May 29, 10:15-10:45am, ages 0-3 with an adult.
  - Registration required.
  - Rhymes, songs, puppets, instruments, and more.
- Tuesdays 10-11am, ages 2-4. Stories, school readiness activities, and a craft.
- Mondays 10-10:20am, ages 2-4. Stories, school readiness activities, maybe a craft.

### Book Buddy: Reading to Dogs

- Thursdays 6-8pm and Fridays 11am-1pm, all ages. Registration required. Call 508-532-5570 x4 for a 15 minute slot.
  - Improve your reading skills by reading aloud to your Book Buddy. Certified Reading/Therapy Dogs listen as children read.
- Saturdays May 11 and 18, 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.