Framingham Public Libraries Are Open!

We hope you enjoyed all the Library brought to our community this past year. Now we are excited to see you back in person at the Library, and enjoying more great services and experiences! Starting July 6, both libraries will be open at full operating hours, and we invite you back to:

- Browse our excellent collection of books, films, and TV shows, music, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, and more.
- Speak with our dedicated librarians about recommendations and help with reference materials.
- Attend one of our exceptional events for adults, teens and children.
- Sign up for our Summer Reading Program, then learn about activities and prizes.
- Upgrade your access! Convert your online account into a Framingham Public Library card. See page 2 for more details.

FPL LIVE Premiere Movie Events:

Celebrate our return to normal hours and the start of in-person programs by joining us for two movie nights! Strut your stuff on our red carpet, pose for a picture in front of our FPL marquee, and then watch the movie. We look forward to seeing you, live and in person! Please note: space is limited and registration is required.

Friday July 16, 6:30pm – Main Library, Costin Room: Indiana Jones and the Raiders of the Lost Ark (Rated PG). Please REGISTER HERE.

Friday July 23, 6:30pm – McAuliffe Branch Library, Community Room: The Princess Bride (Rated PG). Please REGISTER HERE.

Framingham Business Resource Center at Framingham Public Library – Opening in July!

The FBRC is your one stop shop for: Expert guidance for City of Framingham business resources, forms, and procedures, small business and entrepreneurship support, LinkedIn Learning’s 16,000 video courses, resources and databases, plus our state of the art Business Center PC is equipped with Adobe Creative Cloud. Come visit us on the 3rd floor of the Main Library.

Spot our Bookmobile on the road this summer!

We’ll be making stops at schools and special events all summer!

Event Questions: framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com.

Summer Reading Is Here!

The Summer Reading Program starts Tuesday July 6, and registration has begun. You can register online at framinghamlibrary.org/sr or in person at either library. Check out our programs for adults, young adults, and children throughout this newsletter.

Free tutoring for grades K-12 available in all subjects! See page 5.

Be AMAZED

Books are just the beginning!

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2021 Adult Summer Reading Program – “Tails and Tales”

Why should kids have all the fun? Register for our Adult Summer Reading Program ONLINE or at the library beginning Wednesday June 23.

Once you’ve registered, come into the library to get your limited edition summer reading t-shirt (while supplies last).

For each book or audiobook you complete you may enter a raffle ticket for a chance to win 1 of 4 $50 gift cards generously donated by Wegmans in Natick. The raffle runs from July 6-August 11. Fill out a raffle entry at the library or ONLINE.

ADULT AND ALL AGES ONLINE SUMMER READING EVENTS

Butterflies, Dragonflies, and Damselflies of MetroWest
Presented by Joy Marzolf

Thursday July 8, 11am – on Zoom All Ages
Learn about common butterflies, dragonflies, and damselflies of MetroWest. Join Joy Marzolf from The Joys of Nature as she explores the differences between these amazing flyers and discover how their presence in our neighborhoods can benefit all of us!
Please REGISTER by 9am on July 8.

Romance Writing and Animal Magnetism
With NYT Bestselling Author Christine Feehan

Friday July 9, 7pm – on Zoom
Author Christine Feehan will be sharing her writing inspirations, her creative process, and how she incorporates human and animal traits into her paranormal romance characters. Please REGISTER by 5pm on July 9. For copies of her most recent book, please visit our website.

Fishing for Beginners
with Jim Lagacy from Mass Fish & Wildlife

July 15, 7pm – on Zoom All Ages
It’s summertime and fishing is a great chance to explore the great outdoors and get in touch with nature, family and friends, and yourself! Join us to learn about local fish in our streams, as well as beginners’ fishing tips and tricks from rod to reel! Please REGISTER by 5pm on July 15.

The Raptor Trust: Appreciating Vultures
July 22, 7pm – on Zoom All Ages
Learn about the two vulture species that call the northeast home, the important roles they play in our local ecosystems, and threats vultures face locally and globally. This program includes original footage of vultures, including Winston (a black vulture) and Virgil (a turkey vulture), who reside at The Raptor Trust as ambassador birds. Please REGISTER by 5pm on July 22. (First come, first served, attendance is limited.)

Yarn Social Hour
Mondays 11am-12pm and Wednesdays 6-7pm
Join us for a knitting, crochet, and yarn crafting social hour! This is not a learn to knit or crochet program. REGISTER for the Zoom link or drop by in person at the McAuliffe Branch.

Upgrade Your Access!
If you signed up from home for an online account this past year, come into either of our libraries and convert it to a Framingham Public Library card and upgrade your access. With a library card, you will enjoy additional borrowing and resource opportunities. Hope to see you soon!
Financial Literacy Series
This series is brought to you by the Framingham Public Library in collaboration with Sue Katz of American Consumer Credit Counseling, and Bradley Baskir of Morgan Stanley.

Financial Freedom: Building Wealth to Live the Life You Love
Bradley Baskir, Morgan Stanley

Wednesday
July 14, 1pm – on Zoom
The next generation may be taking a different path through life than previous generations. However, the fundamental aspects of mapping out a financial future are the same today as they have always been—planning, budgeting, saving, investing, and building good credit. This seminar focuses on the key steps you need to take toward achieving financial freedom. *This program is intended for people in their 20s, 30s, and 40s. Register by 9am on July 14.

Poetry Workshop
Tuesdays July 6, 13, 20, and 27, 7:30-9:30pm – on Zoom
Led by Alan Feldman, Professor Emeritus, Framingham State Univ.

This class welcomes serious poets with experience who would like to participate for one or more sessions. We begin with a discussion of a topic in poetry. Poets may discuss their work. If you are new to the group and would like to participate, please email FPLpoetryworkshop@gmail.com by noon on the day of the workshop.

Exercise Classes via Zoom
Please register by noon on the day of the class for the link to join either or both classes. Questions: framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com.

STRETCH AND RELAX
Wednesdays July 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2-2:45pm
Join Laila for this class to maintain body flexibility, improve balance and reduce stress.

TONE AND STRETCH
Mondays July 12, 19, and 26, 4:30-5:15pm (no class July 5)
A variety of functional fitness exercises to tone core, upper and lower body muscles followed by stretches. This is a low impact class designed to be adaptable to participants’ different levels.

Yoga y meditación con Nissa
Miércoles 7 de julio, de 7 a 8 p.m.
Únase a la biblioteca pública de Framingham y a Nissa Diantina durante una hora de yoga y meditación. Los asistentes aprenderán a calentar y estirar el cuerpo de una forma divertida y funcional. Nissa lo guiará a través de las técnicas de respiración y cómo aplicarlas en la práctica y en la vida cotidiana. Aprenderá asanas (posturas) básicas de yoga, flujo básico de vinyasa y meditación. Para registrarse y recibir un enlace de zoom visite bit.ly/FPL-yoga-y-meditacion. Esta clase es en español.
Looking for a job?
Need to create or update a resume?
Make an appointment for one-on-one Resume Help and Job Searching Strategies.
Thursdays July 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 9am-1:30pm, via Zoom*
Please email elawrence@minlib.net for your appointment.
*If you need access to a computer, please email us at fplmail6@minlib.net or call the Main Library at 508-532-5570 and speak with one of the staff.

LVM Literacy Unlimited
Literacy Unlimited offers virtual ESOL Conversation Classes and Tutoring remotely.
We help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or reading ability. Check out our website HERE.
New student registration is open! To learn more, click HERE. For new tutors, please register HERE or contact us at 508-532-5574 or at fplmail4@minlib.net.

Citizenship Corner
Applying for U.S. Citizenship?
Literacy Unlimited has tutors who will work with you one-on-one to help prepare you for the Naturalization test and interview. You must be at least an intermediate-level English speaker to benefit from the sessions. Tutors continue to work remotely; a device (laptop or smartphone) and good internet is strongly recommended.
For more information, please contact Literacy Unlimited at fplmail4@minlib.net or 508-532-5574.

Puzzle Swap
McAuliffe Branch Library
Request a puzzle to pick up at McAuliffe by CLICKING HERE and then take it home!
Choose how many pieces you’d prefer the puzzle to contain and bring home some fun. We are currently NOT accepting puzzle donations at this time. We will let you know when we start taking donations again!

Seed Lending Library
Improving Tomato Harvest
Left on their own, tomatoes will grow into shrubby, multi-stemmed plants that can topple under the weight of their fruit. Removing suckers can help create healthier, more productive tomato plants.
You can remove suckers when they’re small by pinching them off or snipping them with pruners. This will maximize production, minimize disease problems by improving air circulation and keep plants compact and prevent sprawl. You can even root these suckers to start another tomato plant.

Check out our YouTube Channel
CLICK HERE for video tutorials, lectures, concerts, author talks, stories for kids and grownups, recipes, crafts, guitar lessons and more.

fpl kitchen is a video series produced by the Framingham Public Library where you can learn how to cook, bake, and blend lots of delicious food! We try to keep both the instructions and ingredients simple so that anyone can make these dishes alongside us. Check out the videos on our YouTube page, and learn how to make delicious flatbread pizza, green smoothies, veggie hand pies, monkey bread, mochi brownies and more. CLICK HERE.
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.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org
YOUNG ADULTS  GRADES 6-12

YA Summer Reading
Registration for Summer Reading has begun and the program will look a little more like normal this year! To sign up, fill out the registration form online, or come into the library and put your name/grade/email into our Summer Reading binder. Once you’ve signed up, grab one of our Summer Reading drawstring backpacks as our gift to you (while supplies last). Then, for every book you read, fill out a reading slip and drop it off either the Main Library or the McAuliffe Branch, and you’ll be entered into our end of summer prize raffle for one of 10 gift cards to any local business in the area!

YA July Programs
Registration is required for all non-Weekly Minecraft programs. Register and find more info HERE.

DIY Neon Signs  Grades 6-12
Wednesday July 14, 2-3:30pm – McAuliffe Branch, Outside
Friday July 16, 2-3:30pm – Main Library, Outside
We’re gonna use EL Wire to make our own neon signs! Any supplies left over after these two programs will be turned into Take & Make kits. Registration required.

Needle Felted Minecraft Bee
Grades 8-12
Friday July 23, 3-4:30pm – McAuliffe Branch, Outside
To celebrate our new Framingham Library Minecraft server (visit the teen page for more info!) we’re having Pop Up Art School visit and help us make needle felted Minecraft bees. Registration required.

Fortnite Tournament
Grades 6-12
Thursday July 29, 4-6pm – Virtual tournament
One Up Games is helping us run a virtual Fortnite tournament! With prizes! That you can enter and play from the comfort of your own living room! Registration required.

Weekly Minecraft Hangout
Grades 4-12
Tuesday July 6, 13, 20, and 27, 2-4pm – Framingham Library
Minecraft Server
Framingham Public Library is getting a Minecraft server for everyone in grades 4-12!!! Information on signing up for it is on our teen page online. The server will be available 24 hours a day, but if you’d like to join the teen librarians as they learn how to Minecraft, we’ll be hanging out every Tuesday from 2-4pm.

Homework Center News
Academic Enrichment Book Groups
The Homework Center has now been running Academic Enrichment Book Groups for almost a year! Over 100 students have read dozens of Framingham Public School recommended books. We are excited to continue this opportunity for students this summer. Students K-12 will read from the Framingham Public School recommended book lists and learn to journal about characters, setting, themes and plot development.

Book Groups will meet on a weekly basis to share journal entries, discuss books and write reviews for the Library website. Reading with a summer book group is a great way for students to meet their summer reading requirement! Books and journals will be provided. To sign up to participate in a summer book group contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

The Homework Center also provides free individualized tutoring. To sign up for tutoring or to participate in a book group contact jgatlin@minlib.net.

Caroline Breckling wrote about her experience facilitating a book group for her college essay. She has been accepted at UCLA Berkeley! Click HERE for an excerpt of what she had to say.

Framingham Public Library Foundation News
Honor or remember loved ones by donating to the Framingham Public Library Foundation. CLICK HERE or send a check to the FPLF, 49 Lexington St., Framingham, MA 01702.

For questions or information, email Ruth Winett at rwinett@rcn.com.

Another Way To Help the Framingham Public Library Foundation and the FPL
Order ALL your Amazon items, not just books, through Amazon Smile and support your Library for free! CLICK HERE for details.
**CHILDREN’S SUMMER 2021**

**Tails and Tales**

**ToBe Fit presents the Juggling Nutrition Magic Show**
**Wednesday, August 11 at 3pm**

All ages welcome!

Program via Zoom. Visit our website, email or call to register!

A show full of live theater, amazing feats of juggling, music and magic to help kids take charge of growing up healthy, happy and fit!

**OPEN LEGO CHALLENGE**
**Monday, August 9 ♦ 6:30-8:00pm (ages 5-12)**

In the Learning Yard at the Main Library

Join us for a Lego challenge with prizes!

**TAKE & MAKE CRAFTS**

All materials are provided in a kit available for curbside pickup with date listed in program details. Please email mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com or visit our website to register & schedule pick-up. Supplies are limited!

- **Thursday, July 15 ♦ 5:30-6:30pm**
  **Book Art Hedgehogs** (all ages*)
  Sign ups begin June 28 — Curbside pick up begins July 6
  *ages under 7 may need parental assistance
  Join us on Zoom to create a hedgehog by folding book pages & decorating.
  (Glue not provided)

- **Week of July 19**
  **3D Animal Environment Canvas** (ages 5-12)
  Sign ups begin July 12 — Curbside pick up begins July 19
  Create your own animal environment using canvas, paint, and plastic animal toys!

- **Week of August 16**
  **Bird House Construction** (ages 5-12)
  Sign ups begin Aug 9 — Curbside pick up begins Aug 16
  Build your own wooden birdhouse then paint it for the birds to enjoy!

**VISIT THE MAIN LIBRARY LEXINGTON STREET BUS STOP AREA for FREE LUNCH!**

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 12:00PM to 1:00PM

June 28—August 27

Contests run from July 5 - Aug 14

Our trivia contest will run every week on our Instagram and our website. Receive an extra raffle ticket each time you win!

Visit our website [www.framinghamlibrary.org/sr/](http://www.framinghamlibrary.org/sr/) or call to register!

‘Tales & Tails’ is sponsored by the Framingham Public Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners and the Institute of Museum and Library Services with support from the National Women’s Hockey League team Boston Pride. It is also funded by the generosity of the Friends of the Framingham Public Library, the Framingham Cultural Council, Framingham Public Schools, & City of Framingham.

Sign up for Summer Reading at home from our website or visit the library!

Once you’ve registered, come in to the library to get your limited edition SUMMER READING T-SHIRT!

Each time you read a book and submit it on our website OR fill out a raffle ticket at the library, you’ll be entered for a chance to win our end-of-summer prizes!
ZOOM STORYTIMES

All storytimes are via Zoom.
Please email mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to receive an invitation to join.

- Mondays ♦ 10:00-10:20am
  Storytime with Jillian (ages 2-6)
  Special guests July 12—Chinese & July 26—Russian
- Tuesdays ♦ 10:00-10:20am
  Baby Lapsit with Joanne (ages 0-2)
- Thursdays ♦ 10:00-10:45am
  Storytime with Dana (ages 2-6)
  Thurs. July 15 — special program in person at McAuliffe
- Fridays ♦ 10:30-11am
  Baby lapsit with Lucy (ages 0-2)

SPECIAL EVENTS

McAULIFFE LIBRARY

- Thursday, July 22 ♦ 3-4pm
  Curious Creatures (all ages)
  Backyard of McAuliffe Branch Library
  Join us for an exciting live animal program including a selection of mammals, bugs & reptiles for a hands on experience. Please go to our website or call and register to reserve your spot beginning July 6.
- Sunday, July 25-Sunday, August 1 ♦
  The Tale of the Rainbow Lizard (all ages)
  Link will be live on our website beginning July 25 Traveling Lantern Theater Company Presents a show about Pablo Del Peacock learning to paint his masterpiece using all the colors of the Rainbow with his friend Fatima Flamingo.
- Thursday, August 5 ♦ 4-5pm
  Pop Up Art : Dolphin Canvas Painting
  Online via Zoom (ages 8-12)
  Join Pop Up Art School live on Zoom to paint an underwater dolphin which you’ll paint with acrylic paints on a pre-drawn canvas. Please go to our website or call and register to reserve your kit beginning July 19. Supplies are limited!
- Thursday, August 12 ♦ 5-6pm
  Homemade Sidewalk Chalk (all ages & families)
  Backyard of McAuliffe Branch Library
  Come learn how to use science to mix your own chalk! All materials provided at this in-person program. Please go to our website or call and register to reserve your craft table beginning August 26. (weather permitting)

SPECIAL EVENTS

MAIN LIBRARY

- Wednesday, July 14 ♦ 3-4pm
  Wild About Turtles (ages 3+)
  On Zoom—visit our website, email or call to register
  Come learn more about Fred and her kind through storytelling, singing and live box turtles. Educational & great fun!
- Saturday, July 10 & July 31 ♦ 11am
  Rockabye Beats (all ages)
  July 10 on Zoom—visit our website, email or call to register—July 31—Learning Yard at Main Library
  This 40 minute interactive music program includes singing, dancing, Spanish, instrument show and tell and a healthy dose of silliness.
- Wednesday, July 28 ♦ 2-3pm
  Magician, Ed Popielarczyk (ages 3+)
  Learning Yard at Main Library
  Come enjoy this entertaining show with Ed Pop—professional magician and balloon sculptor!
- Wednesday, August 4 ♦ 7pm
  Family Trivia with the Trivia Brothers (ages 5+)
  On Zoom—visit our website, email or call to register
  The Trivia Brothers bring Challenge! Interactive trivia to Framingham families. Hosted with big personality and no boring questions.
- Wednesday, August 18 ♦ 3:30-4:30pm
  Flying High Dogs (all ages)
  Farm Pond on Dudley Road—rain date Fri, Aug 20
  Mike and his Border collies are coming to show us their entertaining Frisbee tricks. Jumping, running and flipping—how do they do that?

For all programs via Zoom, please email mcauliffechildrensroom@gmail.com to receive an invite to join.