Framingham Sounds Concert Series: Why Try?

Sunday August 22, 3pm – Main Library, Learning Yard
No registration required
Celebrate our final concert of the summer series with Why Try?, a 5-piece alternative rock band hailing from the greater Boston area. They have been compared to bands like the Cranberries, Electrelane, Kings of Leon, and Temple of Angels, and pride themselves in having a sound that varies enough to appeal to many different types of audiences and musical tastes.

Outdoor Summer Fun for All Ages
Saturday August 7, 9:30am-3pm – McAuliffe Branch Library
Rain or shine
Come celebrate summer with the Friends of the Framingham Library! Browse the book sale and stock up on lots of great summer reading, join in some fun children’s activities, and more. See page 8 for more details.

Summer Reading Is Here!
The Summer Reading Program continues through August 11. 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.

SPECIAL IN-PERSON EVENT!
Flying High Dogs
Wednesday August 18, 3:30-4:30pm – Farm Pond on Dudley Rd.
All ages.
Mike and his Border Collies are coming to show us their entertaining frisbee tricks. Jumping, running, and flipping—how do they do that?

Event Questions:
framinghamlibraryevents@gmail.com.

JULY EVENT:
David Eure & Alexei Tsiganov Duo
Saturday July 31, 2pm
Don't miss this outdoor and in-person summer jazz concert at the McAuliffe Branch Library! No registration required
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 either library. Registration ends Wednesday August 11.

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

Wolf Park: Meet the Ambassadors
Presented by Christopher Lile, Program Coordinator at Wolf Park
Monday August 9, 10am – on Zoom All Ages
Experience Wolf Park’s ambassadors up close and personal. You will “go into” our wolf and fox enclosures with our keepers and meet our bison through-the-fence. Learn about our ambassadors’ individual personalities, how we care for our animals, and how to be wildlife advocates for their wild counterparts. Please REGISTER by 9am on August 9.

Learn More About Fishing from Mass Fish & Wildlife
Thursday August 12, 7pm – on Zoom
Massachusetts offers beautiful freshwater lakes, reservoirs, ponds, streams, and rivers where you can fish and enjoy a great day on the water. Mass Fish & Wildlife offers many resources. Please REGISTER by 9am on August 12.

Tails and Tales 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.

Expanded Genealogy
CLASS 2: Intermediate
Monday August 23, 7pm – on Zoom
Uncover your family records and history through this next level genealogy program. We will cover immigration and citizenship, finding certificates in other countries, a special focus on women in history through Women’s Genealogy, and more. Please REGISTER by 5pm on August 23.

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.

Framingham Business Resource Center
at Framingham Public Library – NOW OPEN!
The FBRC is your one stop shop for: Expert guidance for City 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.

Find Your Thing
Library of Things
The Library of Things is a collection of games, tools, consumer electronics and more that you can check out with your library card. framinghamlibrary.org/browse/libraryofthings

Anti-Racism Resources On Our Website
Visit our WEBSITE for resources for learning and taking action.

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.

529 College Planning with Bradley Baskir, Morgan Stanley
Wednesday August 11, 1pm – on Zoom
Thinking about saving for your child’s college tuition can be a daunting and overwhelming experience. This seminar will help you understand the challenges that students have today and in the future when it comes to paying for college, as well as rethinking several misperceptions that many people have about college planning. REGISTER by 9am on August 11. Bradley Baskir is a financial advisor at Morgan Stanley in Boston. He works with clients to help build a sustainable financial plan to achieve their financial and life goals.

COOKING FOR ALL: Simple-Nutritious-Delicious
Easy Stovetop Meals for Hot Nights
Presented by Heidi McIndoo, M.S., R.D.
Friday August 27, 11am-12pm – on Zoom
Whether you love to cook or need new ideas, join Heidi for some cooking tips. She will demonstrate how to prepare simple, nutritious and delicious recipes that will satisfy everyone’s cravings. Learn how to eat well and still have time for summer fun. Please REGISTER by 9am on August 27.

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 August 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2-2:45pm
Join Laila for this class to maintain body flexibility, improve balance and reduce stress.

TONE AND STRETCH
Mondays August 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 4:30-5:15pm
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
Martes 3 de agosto, 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.

NoveList
Not sure what to read next? Find read-a-likes, recommendations, and more, all curated by librarians and publishing insiders. CLICK HERE and log in with your Minuteman library card.

Spot our Bookmobile on the road this summer!
We’ll be making stops at schools and special events all summer!

COMMUNITY LINKS
Council on Aging/Callahan Center
The Raymond J. Callahan Center, known as the Callahan Center, welcomes older adults from all backgrounds to learn about the services we offer, participate in our programs and make new friends. The Center provides a broad range of support services, assistance with applying for benefits and referrals for services that other organizations can provide. For more information, CLICK HERE.

For more information please visit our website: www.framinghamlibrary.org
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 August 5, 12, 19, and 26, 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
We are open for in-person activities! We will continue to offer virtual tutoring and conversation classes. We help adult learners who are interested in improving their spoken English or reading ability. Check out our website HERE. To register as a new student, click HERE.
We need volunteer tutors! The next virtual ESOL Tutor Training Session will be held on Thursday evenings from August 5 to September 9. Click HERE to learn more, or contact us at 508-532-5574, or call the Main Library at 508-532-5570 and speak with one of the staff.

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!

BOOK GROUPS
MCAULIFFE BRANCH
Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi
Available in print and as an eBook and audiobook on Overdrive/Libby.
Tuesday August 10, 7-8pm – in person and on Zoom
Please REGISTER for the Zoom link or come to the McAuliffe Branch. The title for our September 14 discussion is Deacon King Kong by James McBride (part of the Framingham Reads Together program).

The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett
Available in print and as an eBook and audiobook on Overdrive/Libby.
Thursday August 19, 10-11am – in person and on Zoom
Please REGISTER for the Zoom link or come to the McAuliffe Branch. The title for our September 16 discussion is Dear Martin by Nic Stone. (part of the Framingham Reads Together program).

SCI-FI
Fugitive Telemetry by Martha Wells #6 in the Murderbot Diaries
Available in print, and as an eBook on Overdrive.
Wednesday August 11, 7-8pm – in the Main Library Learning Yard, (weather permitting, or inside the Library), and online via Zoom
Led by Lucy Loveridge, Library Liaison. Please email llloveridge@minlib.net to receive the Zoom invitation. The title for our September 15 discussion is Space Between Worlds, by Micaiah Johnson.

MAIN LIBRARY
RESUMES IN SEPTEMBER IN THE COSTIN ROOM
The title for our September 14, 7pm discussion is Deacon King Kong by James McBride.

Seed Lending Library
Framingham Vegetable Garden Tour
Saturday August 28, 10am
We are partnering with our friends from Transition Framingham and invite everyone to the 10th Annual Vegetable Garden Tour. Experienced gardeners and beginners will show their small and big vegetable gardens in Framingham. Community gardens will also be open for the tour. For information and tour details please email framinghamlibraryseeds@gmail.com.

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
Summer Reading is still going! To sign up if you haven’t yet, 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. Then, for every book you read, fill out a reading slip and drop it off at 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 August Programs
Registration is required for all non-Weekly Minecraft programs. Register and find more info HERE.

Solar S’mores Take & Make Kit
Register online and pick up kits starting Wednesday, August 4. Make s’mores that you can bake in the sun! Registration required.

Fish In A Bag Slime
Wednesday August 4, 3-4pm – Main Library, Outside
Friday August 6, 3-4pm – McAuliffe Branch, Outside
Make slime that looks just like the little goldfish bags you win at the fair! Registration required.

Make Your Own No-Churn Ice Cream w/ Hot Fudge
Friday August 13, 4:30-5:30pm – Virtual Program
Join us and Food Explorers and learn how to make your own easy ice cream and hot fudge for a perfect summer treat! Registration required.

Homework Center News
The Homework Center Program provides:
• Free, in person and virtual, individualized tutoring for students K-12.
• Academic Enrichment Book Groups for all grades/reading levels.
• A STEM Book Group for girls in grades 3-6.
• Spanish reading groups for elementary school students.
To be matched with a tutor or sign up to participate in a book group contact Judy Gatlin, jgatlin@minlib.net.

Framingham Public Library Foundation News
The FPLF congratulates the library staff for having offered exceptional service and programs during COVID.
To donate to the FPLF, CLICK HERE or send a check to the Framingham Public Library Foundation, 49 Lexington St., Framingham, MA 01702. For more information, send an email to Ruth Winett at rwinett@rcn.com.

Strengthening Families Newsletter
Our team is here to help children, families, and community partners navigate common pathways that support children’s healthy growth and development and promote early education right from the start.
CLICK HERE FOR A PREVIEW OF THE ECAF VIRTUAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

GO ANATOLY!
Team Framingham’s Anatoly Prekrasnyy is running the Boston Marathon 2021 on Monday October 11 and raising funds for the Friends of the Framingham Library.
GO the distance!
Be a part of the Library’s “Go Anatoly!” team. You can:
• Make a donation to support the Library
• Cheer for him on Monday, October 11 at the Boston Marathon 2021!
To support Anatoly and the Friends, scan the QR code or click HERE.
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!

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!

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CHILDREN’S SUMMER 2021

TAILS AND TALES

ZOOM STORYTIMES

All storytimes will be hybrid: in person and on Zoom in August.
All Baby Lapsits will continue to be on Zoom only.
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 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
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• Join in some fun children’s activities and outdoor games.
• Visit the Framingham Public Library Bookmobile.
• Visit our Library of Things table where you can check out all the great things we have to borrow.
• Stop by our Spark Lab table and discover some of the things our makerspace offers.

Proceeds benefit the Friends who support the Library.