



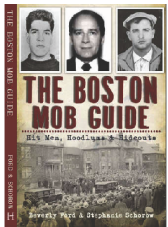
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LIBRARY NOTES

February 2013

Co-authors Beverly Ford and Stephanie Schorow: *The Boston Mob Guide: Hit Men, Hoodlums & Hideouts*

Sun., February 10th 2:00 PM



The capture of notorious mobster James "Whitey" Bulger closed an infamous chapter in Boston history. Yet the city's criminal underworld has a long and bloody rap sheet that stretches back to the beginning of the twentieth century. Boston journalists Beverly Ford and Stephanie Schorow reveal the underbelly of Boston through profiles of ruthless gangsters like Charles "King" Solomon, the Angiulo brothers, Joseph "The Animal" Barboza, Stephen "The Rifleman" Flemmi and many more. Ford and Schorow guide readers to the real story of Boston's gangster past by navigating the backrooms and seedy hangouts where deadly hits and lucrative heists were hatched. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

Dr. Gary Hylander: Darrow for the Defense—The Leopold and Loeb Trial

Tues., February 19th 7:30 PM



Join us for a presentation on one of the most famous murder trials in American history. Caught up in the lawlessness of the Jazz Age, Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb plotted to commit a brutal murder for the thrill of the experience. After their arrest, their families hired Clarence Darrow, the most famous criminal attorney in America, to defend them.



Dr. Gary Hylander, adjunct professor at Framingham State University and Stonehill College, will discuss this case, the second in a series of five lectures on famous trials in American history. This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

National Marionette Theatre's Hansel and Gretel

Sat., February 23rd 2:00 PM



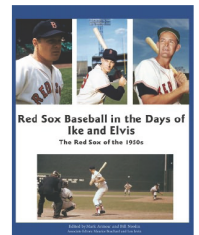
The story of Hansel and Gretel has captured the imagination of audiences for generations. In the National Marionette Theatre's adaptation of this classic tale, two master puppeteers bring the most famous of the Grimm Brother's stories to life. Featuring exquisitely crafted marionettes, scrolling scenery and the beautiful music of Engelbert Humperdinck, Hansel and Gretel will delight audiences of all ages! National Marionette Theatre is one of the oldest continually-running marionette theaters in the United States. Founded in 1967 by artistic director David A. Syrotiak, this award-winning company has been entertaining and amazing audiences around the world with their imaginative productions for over forty years. This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.

2013 McIver Lecture Series

Red Sox Baseball in the Days of Ike & Elvis: The Red Sox of the 1950's

Sunday, February 24th 2:00 PM

As we get ready for a new season of baseball, join the editors and contributors of *Red Sox Baseball in the Days of Ike & Elvis* with special guest and former Red Sox player Ted Lepcio, as they talk about the Red Sox teams of the 1950's.



This is the second McIver Series lecture of 2013. Presented by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.

For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library.

What's happening this month in the Children's Room...

Children's Programs in February

Drop-in Storytimes for ages 5 and under



Wed., February 6, 13, 20, 27 10:00 AM
Fri., February 15 10:30 AM

Stories, music, movement and more. Storytimes are drop-in—no registration required. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Music, Movement and Me with Sara Epstein**



Tues., February 5 10:30 AM
Mon., February 25 10:30 AM

An interactive music and movement program for adults and children under 4. **Registration is required, one session per month only please.

Ready, Set...Move with Cici Hunt: for ages 3-5**



Tues., February 26 11:00 AM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. **Registration is required, one session per month only please.

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan



Fri., February 8 3:00 PM

For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program—please arrive on time.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog: for ages 3 and up**



Thurs., February 7 10:00 AM

Join Lucy, a black lab, and Pat Howes for a great program that encourages children to read!

**Registration required. Begins one week prior to program. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



Toddler Movies

Thurs., February 7, 28 11:00 AM

Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

All Drop-In Craft Programs feature three crafts that are related to the theme. There will be 25 of each craft, so be sure to come early for first choice.

Children's Craft Programs in February

Drop-In "Crafts of the Month" for ages 2-6



Tues., February 5 4:00 PM
Thurs., February 7 3:30 PM



Drop-In "Valentine's" Crafts for ages 2-6

Tues., February 12 10:30 AM
Thurs., February 14 10:30 AM



Drop-In "Valentine's Card Making" for all ages

Tues., February 12 4:00 PM



Drop-In "Beach Party" Crafts for ages 2-8

Thurs., February 21 10:30 AM



Drop-In "Elephant and Piggy" Crafts for ages 2-7

Tues., February 26 4:00 PM
Thurs., February 28 3:30 PM



Drop In Board Games for Ages 4 - 9

Tues., February 19 3:00 - 4:00 PM

LEGO Time! Needham Free Public Library's BLOCK PARTY!



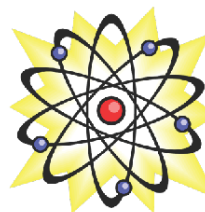
Due to space limitations, the program is limited to 24 children, ages 6+.

Wednesday, February 20 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Sign-up for program begins one week before the event. You can sign up by phone or in person.

Young Sprouts Science Fun - Ages 5-8**

Mon., February 4 4:00 PM



Young Sprouts is something new for "budding" scientists, ages 5-8. Join us as we use hands-on activities, including at least two STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) ways to explore our world.

This month's program is "Building with Shapes." **Please sign up beginning one week in advance, by phone or in person.

Children's Movie – Hotel Transylvania (Rated PG - 91 minutes)

Fri., February 22

2:00 PM



Welcome to Hotel Transylvania, Dracula's lavish five-star resort where monsters and their families can live it up and no humans are allowed. One special weekend Dracula has invited all his best friends:

Frankenstein and his wife, the Mummy, the Invisible Man, the Werewolf family, and more to celebrate his beloved daughter Mavis's 118th birthday. For Dracula catering to all of these legendary monsters is no problem, but the party really starts when one ordinary guy stumbles into the hotel and changes everything!

Game Day for ages 12+

Thurs., February 7

3:00 PM

Join us one Friday a month for an afternoon of board and card games. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library, with assistance from the NHS Anime Club.



February Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

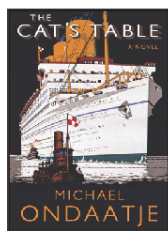
Tuesday, February 12th

The Cat's Table

by Michael Ondaatje

In the early 1950s, an eleven-year-old boy in Colombo, Sri Lanka boards a ship bound for England. At mealtimes he is seated at the "cat's table"—as far from the Captain's Table as can be—with a ragtag group of "insignificant" adults and two other boys, Cassius and Ramadhin. As the ship crosses the Indian Ocean, the boys tumble from one adventure to another, bursting all over the place like freed mercury. But there are other diversions as well: they are first exposed to the magical worlds of jazz, women, and literature by their eccentric fellow travelers, and together they spy on a shackled prisoner—his crime and fate a galvanizing mystery that will haunt them forever. By turns poignant and electrifying, *The Cat's Table* is a spellbinding story about the magical, often forbidden, discoveries of childhood, and a lifelong journey that begins unexpectedly with a spectacular sea voyage.

1:00 PM



This Month in the Friends' Gallery

George Marks

NPL Evening Book Group

Wednesday, February 27th

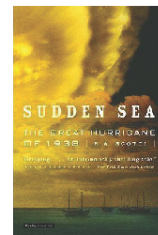
7:00 PM

Sudden Sea: The Great Hurricane of 1938

by R.A. Scotti

On September 21, 1938, the fastest hurricane on record caught the Northeast by surprise and left a wake of death and destruction across seven states. Traveling at record speeds, the storm raced up the Atlantic coast, reaching New York and New England ahead of hurricane warnings and striking with such intensity that seismographs in Alaska registered the impact. Winds clocked at 186 miles per hour stripped cars of their paint. Walls of water fifty feet high swept homes and entire families out to sea.

Former journalist and mystery novelist Scotti successfully applies her skills in both genres to this detailed retelling of the 1938 hurricane that ripped across seven Northeastern states and killed 682 people, "the most destructive natural disaster in U.S. history—worse than the San Francisco earthquake, the Chicago fire, or any Mississippi flood."



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125th Anniversary of the Needham Free Public Library

All Day Celebration

Sat., March 16th

An all day celebration of the founding of the Needham Free Public Library with events for all ages. This program is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.

eBooks @ Your Library: From Overdrive to your Device

Thurs., February 14th

7:30 PM



Want to know how to download free eBooks from the Library's Digital Media Catalog? Join us for this 2 hour course and learn how to locate a book in Overdrive, check it out, and load it onto your Kindle/Nook/iPad/Galaxy/etc. Please bring your e-reader device with you. As space is limited, sign-up will begin one week before the event at the Reference Desk. This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00am - 9:00pm

Fridays

9:00am - 5:30pm

Saturdays

9:00am - 5:00pm

Sundays

1:00pm - 5:00pm

Upcoming Events...

Rid Yourself of Winter Doldrums and Jump into Spring at Needham's Art in Bloom 2013



Now in its 5th year, award winning Needham's Art in Bloom will return by popular demand to the Needham Public Library on Saturday, March 2nd from

9 AM – 5 PM and on Sunday, March 3rd from 1 PM – 4 PM. There will be 45+ pieces of art, mixed mediums, by talented Needham High School students and creative colorful floral interpretations accompanying each piece of artwork by members of Beth Shalom, Kalmia and the Needham Garden Clubs. Roche Bros. has generously sponsored this free event. The Needham High School Fine Arts Department and Beth Shalom Garden Club have collaboratively organized this exhibit since its 2009 inception.

For more information visit: NeedhamArtinBloom.com

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Introduction to Chinese Brush Art—Acton-Boxborough Chinese Brush Art Painting Group

Sun., March 10th 2:00 PM



Members of the Acton-Boxborough Chinese Brush Painting Group share painting skills and knowledge in a family-oriented session. Following a video introduction, participants can try their hand at brush art. **This program is sponsored by the Friends of the**

Needham Public Library.

David Wray—*Forgotten Images of Early Christianity*

Tues., March 12th 2:00 PM

Beginning with the the earliest Jewish followers of Jesus, how did Christians use images to distinguish Christianity from other religious movements? Can you distinguish Christian iconography from Jewish and pagan images?

*This presentation explores the birth of Christian iconography from its aniconic Jewish origins into the rich symbolic universe of the ancient Roman Empire. **This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.***



Dr. Gary Hylander: Darrow for the Defense—The Scopes Monkey Trial

Tues., March 19th 7:30 PM

Scopes Monkey Trial



Join us for a presentation and discussion on one of the most controversial trials in American history. In 1925, John Scopes, a high school biology teacher in

Dayton, Tennessee, was arrested for violating the state's law against teaching evolution in the classroom. Featuring two of the nation's greatest debaters, Clarence Darrow and William Jennings Bryan, the trial spiraled into an all-out duel between science and religion.

Dr. Gary Hylander, adjunct professor at Framingham State University and Stonehill College, will discuss this case, the third in a series of five lectures on famous trials in American history. **This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.**

Storyteller Susie Magoozy – *Spring Fever (Hope you're not allergic to silliness!)*

Sat., March 23rd 10:30 AM

*Are you looking for excitement? Enthusiasm? Wild rants of singing and dancing?? Or maybe you just like furry puppets! Join us as Storyteller Susie Magoozy returns with silly stories just in time for Spring! **This program is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.***



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