Wed., June 4th  7:00 PM

This 75 minute program is designed for anyone interested in the Beatles’ music, from new fans to the most rabid, long-term fan. The presentation will cover the second half of their career from the artistic high point of the Sgt. Pepper album in 1967 to their final release Let It Be in 1970. With the aid of musical selections, the program will put the group in the context of the late 60’s, including the death of their manager, their ill-fated TV film, their trip to India, their growing creative differences during the recording of the White Album, the crowning achievement of Abbey Road, and their bitter personal and business conflicts which resulted in their break-up, leaving in their wake one of the richest legacies in popular music. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library, and will be preceded by the Annual Meeting.

Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Film Festival
Movie: Meet the Robinsons (Rated G, 95 min.)
Friday, June 27th  2:00 PM

Lewis is an orphan who dreams of finding a family. His journey takes an unexpected turn when a mysterious stranger named Wilbur Robinson whisks him away to a world where anything is possible...THE FUTURE. There, he meets an incredible assortment of characters and a family beyond his wildest imagination—The Robinsons. With the help of this wonderfully wacky family, Lewis learns to keep moving forward and never stop believing in himself. This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library, in support of this summer’s Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs.

Marvelous Marvin—The Magic of Science
Wed., June 25th  7:00 PM

The Magic of Science explains the scientific process, from the art of experimenting to the creation of an invention. With simple experiments that kids can try at home, attendees will learn about air pressure, carbon dioxide and the invention of the wheel. The Magic of Science draws a link between the work of artists and scientists, encouraging persistence and exploration. For Ages 5 and up, this is the kickoff event for the 2014 Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library in support of the 2014 Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs.

friends’ spring book sale
Saturday, May 31st
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Sunday, June 1st
1:00 - 4:00 PM
Sunday is Bargain Day:
all items are half-price
and a brown bag is $8.00.

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 June

Drop-in Storytimes for ages 5 and under
Wed., June 4, 11, 18 10:00 AM
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Fri., June 27 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**
Fri., June 6 10:30 AM
Fri., June 20 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., June 10 11:00 AM
Tues., June 24 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., June 13 3:00 PM
Thurs., June 19 10:30 AM
For children 2 years and up accompanied by an adult. This is a drop-in program—please arrive on time.

Children’s Craft Programs in June

Drop-In “Crafts of the Month” for ages 2-6
Mon., June 2 4:00 PM
Drop-In “Zoo and Aquarium Month” Crafts for ages 2-6
Mon., June 9 4:00 PM
Drop-In “Summer” Crafts for All Ages
Tues., June 17 10:30 AM
Mon., June 23 4:00 PM
Drop-In “Fizz, Boom, Read” Crafts for ages 2-6
Mon., June 30 4:00 PM

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

Growing Readers: Story/Crafts for Ages 4-6
Wed., June 4, 11 1:00 PM
Join us for this 45 minute combination storytime and craft session.

Funding for Music Enrichment Programs provided by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

“Fun Flicks” Movies for ages 2-5
Thurs., June 12, 26 11:00 AM
Short films based on popular storybooks—shown in the Community Room.

Lucy the R.E.A.D. Dog: for ages 3 and up**
Thurs., June 5 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.

SUMMER READING CLUBS
June 16 through August 23
(last day to sign up is July 31)

Get ready for a sensational summer of reading and programming at the Needham Free Public Library. This year’s program, Fizz, Boom, Read will run from Monday, June 16 – Saturday, August 23. There will again be two clubs—Read to Me (ages 3-6) and Independent Readers (grades K-6). You can sign up in the Children’s Room OR register and maintain your reading log online: http://readsinma.org/needham. Participants in both clubs will receive a small prize for every two hours recorded on their reading log. We hope that children will read for at least 20 hours to complete the program. Fizz, Boom, Read is sponsored by the Mass. Library System, the Boston Bruins, the Mass. Board of Library Commissioners, and the Needham Free Public Library.
NPL Book Group
Tuesday, June 10th 1:00 PM
Death of a Red Heroine
by Xiaolong Qiu
Set a decade ago in Shanghai, this political mystery offers a peek into the tightly sealed, often crooked world of post-Tiananmen Square China. Chen Cao, a poet and T.S. Eliot translator bureaucratically assigned to be chief inspector, has to investigate the murder of Guan Hongying, a young woman celebrated as a National Model Worker, but who kept her personal life strictly and mysteriously confidential. Chen and his comrade, Detective Yu, take turns interviewing Guan’s neighbors and co-workers, but it seems most of them either know nothing or are afraid to talk openly about a deceased, highly regarded public figure. Maybe they shouldn’t be so uneasy, some characters reason; after all, these are “modern times” and socialist China is taking great leaps toward free speech. Tip-toeing around touchy politics and using investigative tactics bordering on blackmail, Chen slowly pieces together the motives behind the crime. *September 9, 2014 Book: The Greater Journey: Americans in Paris by David G. McCullough.*

NPL Evening Book Group
Wednesday, June 18th 7:00 PM
Ike’s Bluff: President Eisenhower’s Secret Battle to Save the World
by Evan Thomas
Upon assuming the presidency in 1953, Dwight Eisenhower set about to make good on his campaign promise to end the Korean War. Yet while Eisenhower was quickly viewed by many as a doddering lightweight, behind the bland smile and simple speech was a master tactician. To end the hostilities, Eisenhower would take a colossal risk by bluffing that he might use nuclear weapons against the Communist Chinese, while at the same time restraining his generals and advisors who favored the strikes. Ike’s gamble was of such magnitude that there could be but two outcomes: thousands of lives saved, or millions of lives lost. A tense, vivid and revisionist account of a president who was then, and still is today, underestimated, Ike’s Bluff is history at its most provocative and thrilling. *September 17, 2014—TBD*

WE NEED YOU!
...as part of the Book Cart Drill Team for this year’s Fourth of July Parade. Must be able to commit to ONE REHEARSAL the week before the parade and be able to walk the entire parade route pushing a book cart. If interested, please contact Gay Ellen Dennett at Adult Reference or call 781-455-7559 x223 and leave a message.

Artist Displays Needed
Calling all Artists and Collectors...
The Needham Free Public Library Needs You!
The Art Committee of the NFPL has vacancies at this time for displays in the Friends of the Needham Public Library Gallery and in the display cases located on either end of the gallery.

Application forms (there are three to be filled out) are available for download at http://www.needhamma.gov/index.aspx?NID=3168 or can be obtained at the Reference Desk.

All applications, as well as an example of your artwork or exhibit (photos, website, etc.) must be returned to Gay Ellen Dennett at the Reference Desk. Applications will be reviewed by the Art Committee and notification of acceptance will be made following its next meeting.

Library Hours:
Mon. - Thurs. 9:00am - 9:00pm
Fridays 9:00am - 5:30pm
Saturdays 9:00am - 5:00pm
Sundays 1:00pm - 5:00pm
Mad Science of Greater Boston, Inc
Science Experiment Workshops

Walloping Weather
Monday, July 7th 4:00 PM
Welcome to the wild world of weather! In this Mad Science of Greater Boston workshop, participants will investigate why it rains, what causes lightning and even bow weather can be predicted via a science called meteorology. Through hands-on activities and exciting demonstrations, participants will step into the shoes of a meteorologist and create some of their own regional weather forecasts, and they’ll make a UV bead bracelet to take home so they can continue to explore the amazing world of weather. Workshop limited to 30 participants ages 6-12. Registration begins one week before event.

Optical Illusions
Monday, July 14th 4:00 PM
This Mad Science of Greater Boston workshop will explore the science of optics, refraction, and the biology associated with sight. The participants will have fun fooling their eyes with a variety of optical illusions: some old favorites like the candlestick, the red, blue, and green color, and some new like Einsten’s funny face. They will also test out some optical illusion contraptions like a camera obscura and mirror mirror. Preceded by an instructional demonstration of the science and design behind periscopes, all participants will construct their own periscope to take home. Workshop limited to 30 participants ages 6-12. Registration begins one week before event. These programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library in support of the 2014 Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs.

Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Film Festival

July 18 The Incredibles (Rated PG, 115 min.)
July 25 Wall-E (Rated G, 98 min.)
August 1 Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (Rated PG, 90 min.)
August 29 Muppets Most Wanted (Rated PG, 120 min.)
Showtime is 2:00 PM

Science Tellers – Dragons & Dreams
Thursday, August 21st 4:00 PM
In a faraway world with castles, kings, dragon keepers, ice sorceresses, and a powerful item known as the Horn of Fire, two villagers must take a daring journey to release the dragons and save the entire kingdom! Join us as we learn about the science of fire and ice through the tale of “Dragons & Dreams.” Wouldn’t dragon’s breath be an amazing sight to see?! Well, get ready to see it... feel it... smell it... maybe even taste it! This story features interactive science experiments with dry ice, flash paper, exploding bottles, and much more. Enjoy this spectacular adventure and be swept away to a world where dragons are real and dreams come true — and where only the most daring of people will survive to tell the tale! This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library in support of the 2014 Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs.

The Magic of the Steelgraves
Tuesday, July 29th 7:00 PM
Magic of The Steelgraves will dazzle you! New England magicians/illusionists Markus & Angelique Steelgrave blend amazing magic with lively audience participation, hilarious comedy, juggling, unique illusions and lots of surprises! Please join us for this family-friendly event. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library in support of the 2014 Fizz, Boom, Read Summer Reading Clubs.

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