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NEWSLETTER OF THE NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

JUNE 2018

friends' summer booksale



Friday, June 1st

12:30 - 4:30 PM

Saturday, June 2nd

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday, June 3rd*

1:00 - 4:00 PM

*Sunday is Bargain Day: all items are half-price and a brown bag is \$8.00.

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING AND PROGRAM: Cooking and Gardening with Herbs with Liz Barbour**

Wed., June 6th

7:00 PM



Liz Barbour will take you on a slide presentation tour through her cottage sized gardens. Learn how to use every inch of a small garden to maximize its beauty and its bounty using herbs as part of an edible landscape. Take in the varieties of ornamental and edible plants as Liz offers tips about how to plan ahead so that you can truly enjoy the fruits of your labor. Following the slide presentation will be a cooking demonstration and sampling of three delicious recipes featuring fresh herbs.

****Registration is Required, starting May 21st at the Reference Desk on the second floor. There will be no wait list, as registration is limited.**

This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Library and will be preceded by the Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Needham Public Library.

2018 McIver Lecture Series—The Beanpot Connection

Dr. James Bird, Boston University: The Science of Bubbles

Sun., June 10th

2:00 PM

Continuing the theme of the "Beanpot Connection," Dr. James Bird, Asst. Professor, College of Engineering, will show why bubbles are beautiful, powerful, and important. In his presentation he will show high speed movies taken in his laboratory, carry out live demonstrations, highlight numerous applications in which drops and bubbles impact our lives, and discuss the open questions that scientists are still exploring. This promises to be a most entertaining and informative presentation of interest to those of all ages.. *This is the third of four lectures and is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library in memory of former director Vivian D. McIver.*



Teen/'Tween Movie: *Camp Rock* (Rated G, 97 minutes)

Fri., June 15th

3:00 PM

Camp Rock centers on a teen girl who desperately wants to spend her summer at a prestigious rock camp but can only attend if she works in the kitchen as one of its cooks. When she's overheard singing (but not seen) by a teen pop star at the camp, he is completely taken and sets out to find the girl behind the beautiful voice. But first she must confront her fears, step out of the kitchen and into the spotlight. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.



Drumming with Dummies with Kevin Driscoll

Mon., June 18th

4:00 PM



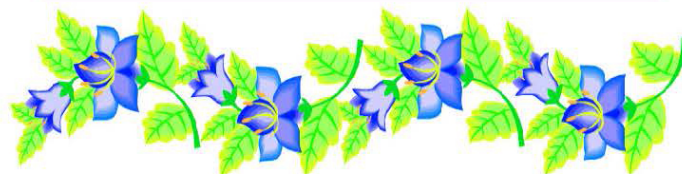
Kevin Driscoll with his clown car full of ventriloquist dummies will join in the fun and play with you on drums and percussion instruments. Children are invited to play the Irish Bodhrán, Tahitian Toéré, Trinidadian mini-steel drum and many other percussion instruments in a big jam session with the dummies. *Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

Summer Reading Kickoff: Science Tellers—Wild West: The Mystery of the Golden Piano

Tues., June 26th

4:00 PM





Grab your spurs and journey with us to the Wild West, where a legendary bank-robbing outlaw is back in town, about to strike again! After the Sheriff mysteriously vanishes, two young kids must saddle up to foil the great heist—but not before stopping a runaway train, escaping an abandoned mine shaft and discovering how a mysterious piano can play an 'instrumental' part in putting a rotten cowboy back behind bars. Throughout this absolutely wild adventure story, volunteers from the audience will help us explore the fascinating science behind chemical reactions, acids and bases, combustion, air pressure, inertia and more. Don't miss this classic action-packed western with 'notes' of science! Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library in support of the 2018 Summer Reading Libraries Rock! Program.



For further information about upcoming events, go to www.needhamma.gov/library or call 781-455-7559.

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

Children's Story Times in June

-  **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**
Tues., June 5, 19, 26 10:00 AM
 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.
-  **Babies & Books for up to one year**
Tues., June 5, 19, 26 11:00 AM
 Babies and their adult caregivers explore the rhythms and patterns of speech with songs, lap games and a story or two.
-  **Drop-In Child's Play for ages 0-2 years**
Wed., June 6, 13, 20, 27 10:00 AM
 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.
-  **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-6 years**
Mon., June 4, 11, 25 10:00 AM
 An interactive themed storytime with picture books, music and movement, followed by a craft (45 min.). Children who are ready may attend independently. Caregivers are also welcome.

Chinese Storytime for ages 5 and under

Sat., June 2 10:00 AM



This is a Drop-in program for ages 5 and under and is led by a group of Chinese-speaking mothers. The program consists of 45 minutes of reading, followed by a simple craft.

LEGO Time! Needham Free Public Library's BLOCK PARTY! for ages 5+

Tues., June 12 4:00-5:00 PM



Pre-school Music Crafts for ages 2+ years



Thurs., June 14 10:30-11:30 AM
 Drop-in for age appropriate Make-N-Take Crafts!

FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING

Sat., June 16 10:00-11:30 AM



Families are invited to the Children's Room where together they can explore an arts/crafts project, work on a construction assignment and play games that enhance literacy, logic or math skills. All ages are welcome. This will be an ongoing event on the third Saturday of every month from 10-11:30 AM.

Children's Programs in June

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



Wed., June 6 11:00 AM

Mon., June 18 11:00 AM

Join Cici Hunt in this fun-filled music and movement class for children and their caretakers. ****Registration is required, beginning two weeks prior to the start of the program.****

Sing-Along with Ed Morgan



Fri., June 8 3:00 PM

Thurs., June 21 10:30 AM

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

Music with Sarah for ages 5 and under



Tues., June 12 (ages 2-5) 10:00 AM

Tues., June 12 (ages 2 and under) 11:00 AM

Join Sarah Gardner and bring your little ones to play instruments, sing & dance along. Become part of our little library band!

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

Play with STEAM for ages 3-5

Fri., June 1 10:30-11:30 AM



A playgroup with a STEAM centered circle time activity. Explore Science, Art and Math through a variety of hands-on activities and experiments. Children ages 3-5 are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult. *Run by the non-profit Communities United, Inc., through a Coordinated Family and Community Engagement Grant from the Mass. Dept. of EEC.*

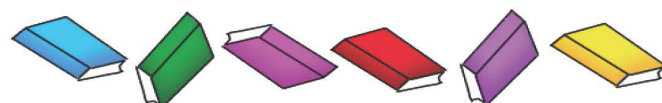
Knitting with Friends for grades 3 and up

****Registration Required****

Wed., June 6, 13, 20, 27 3:30-5:00 PM

Come and learn the basics of knitting and make a simple scarf. The library will provide knitting needles and yarn. No previous experience is necessary. This is a series that will run through June and attendees are expected to be at all sessions.

****Space is limited. Registration required and is for all 8 sessions.****



Family Playgroup for Families with Children Ages 4 and Under**

Fri., June 8, 22, 29

10:30 AM



Join us for family fun, with stories, music and movement for all. Using a set structure, each week will begin with playing and exploring interesting items related to that week's topic, proceeding then to lights off, clean up song, welcome song, music and movement activities. A Parachute Game will be played by all, with calm down activities, a story, and a goodbye song to finish this hour long session. ****Running from June 8– July 20 (no sessions on June 15 & July 6), registration is required, with a commitment to attending all sessions.** Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library, in partnership with Riverside Community Care.



Summer Film Series

June 22

The Muppet Movie

Rated G - 1 hour 37 minutes



July 6

Lemonade Mouth

Rated G - 1 hour 43 minutes



July 20

Sing

Rated PG - 1 hour 54 minutes



August 3

High School Musical

Rated PG - 1 hour 38 minutes



August 24

Enchanted

Rated PG - 1 hour 47 minutes



All Movies start at 3:00 PM and will be in the Community Room.



This year's theme for the Summer Reading Program is called **Libraries Rock!** It focuses on all aspects of music and the ways in which libraries rock our world. When children sign up for the Libraries Rock Summer Reading Program at the Needham Free Public Library, they will automatically be in a band based on which school they attend. The school that has the highest percentage of their band members read for the most hours over the summer will win the contest and a Rock Star trophy for their school.



Registration for Summer Reading is open now through July 30th. To register, visit the Children's Desk at the library or sign up online at <http://www.needhamma.gov/index.aspx?NID=3035>. Children who sign up will receive a free book of their choosing to help them get started reading.

The program is designed for children from birth to those entering 5th Grade in the fall. Adults read aloud to young children. Children who can read on their own may also listen to audio books, have books read aloud to them or read eBooks, as well as print books and magazines. Time spent reading is recorded on a paper reading log at the library or online from anywhere. Children receive a small toy prize when they have completed 4 hours, 8 hours and 12 hours of reading. Each school in Needham will have a music-themed symbol to represent its band at the library with an additional one for preschoolers, homeschoolers and others. As children read for 2, 6, 12 and 14 hours, they will be able to contribute to the minutes that their band has read.



Every child who logs 16 hours of reading by August 6th will receive another free book, a toy prize and will be eligible to win grand prizes awarded by random drawing. Those children who read for the most hours will have their names entered in a state-wide drawing to win a Grand Prize from the Boston Bruins. Approximately 27 children across the state will win Bruins prizes such as autographed pucks and jerseys signed by the team.

Every band also needs a good songwriter. Visit <https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/song-maker/> to create a song of your own. Email it to ethaler-sroussi@minlib.net along with the name of your band. The library will post all the songs written by each band member on a Summer Playlist on the library website. Patrons will be able to click to hear their song play, along with all the songs written by other summer readers.

For more information, visit the Children's Desk at the Needham Free Public Library or call 781-455-7559.

The New England Aquarium Visits the Library

Fri., June 29

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM



- Touch tide pool animals
- Learn about Marine Life
- Activities and More!



All ages welcome. These activities are supported by Communities United, Inc. & the Coordinated Family & Community Engagement Grant from the Ma. Dept. of Early Education & Care.

Upcoming Teen/Tween Events...

High School Study Night

Thurs., June 7th 4:00 - 8:00 PM



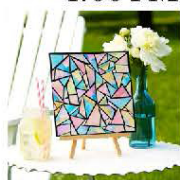
In collaboration with the Needham Senior High School, the Needham Free Public Library will be offering a study space in the Library's Community Room Needham students in Grades 9-12. Drop in and leave as you please. There will be tables for different subjects manned by students from the National Honors Society, Teachers, and Friends to help out. Pizza, Snacks, Drinks, and leisure downtime games (as well as the library's Xbox One) will be provided as well. *Any questions can be directed to Erin at the Reference Desk: 781-455-7559, option 2.*



'Tween/Teen Faux Mosaic Crafternoon

Thurs., June 14th 4:00 PM

Looking for a Father's Day gift to wow? Join in the fun in the Community Room as we make Faux Mosaics with watercolor paper, construction paper, and canvas. Contact Erin in the Reference Department with questions: 781-455-7559, option 2. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



Joy of Coloring for 'Tween/Teens and Up

Thurs., June 21st 3:30-5:00 PM



Coloring and crafting enthusiasts are welcome to color and ring in the first day of Summer in the Needham Free Public Library's Young Adult Room. The Library will supply all you need (pencils, markers, coloring sheets, as well as some beverages). Come for the coloring and conversation with your fellow coloring enthusiasts! *Coloring sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

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'Tweens and Teens Interactive Movie: *Jurassic Park-1993 (Rated PG-13, 2 hours, 7 minutes)***

Wed., June 27th 5:00 PM



*In this classic science fiction film, a brilliant entrepreneur has the ingenious idea of opening a cutting-edge park that consists of genetically engineered dinosaurs as the main attraction. In an effort to make sure that the park is safe, the owner of the park enlists the help of two paleontologists to stamp their approval on the project. The paleontologists, along with a sneaky lawyer and an accomplished chaos theorist, are flown to the island for the shock of their lives. The adventure starts when the park owner's grand children arrive. Although the day begins as a fun-filled trip, it would eventually turn into an epic fight for survival against the beastly T-Rex and the dangerous velociraptors that have escaped the paddock. Couldn't make it to our last Interactive Movie Experience? There will be all sorts of food and fun, with an intermission in the middle. ****Registration is Required for this event. **Please note, because Jurassic Park is rated PG-13, Moviegoers who are 13 years of younger will need to have their parent or guardian contact Erin and give permission to attend. Without permission, underage viewers will be turned away at the door.** To register call 781-455-7559, option 2. Please ask for Erin (Reference) for more information about this exciting event.*



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Library Hours:

<i>Mon. - Thurs.</i>	<i>9:00 am - 9:00 pm</i>
<i>Fridays</i>	<i>9:00 am - 5:30 pm</i>
<i>Saturdays</i>	<i>9:00 am - 5:00 pm</i>
<i>Sundays</i>	<i>1:00 pm - 7:00 pm</i>

Contact the Library at 781-455-7559

Upcoming Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, June 12th

Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine
by Gail Honeyman

Meet Eleanor Oliphant: She struggles with appropriate social skills and tends to say exactly what she's thinking. Nothing is missing in her carefully timetabled life of avoiding social interactions, where weekends are punctuated by frozen pizza, vodka, and phone chats with Mummy.

But everything changes when Eleanor meets Raymond, the bumbling and deeply unhygienic IT guy from her office. When she and Raymond together save Sammy, an elderly gentleman who has fallen on the sidewalk, the three become the kind of friends who rescue one another from the lives of isolation they have each been living. And it is Raymond's big heart that will ultimately help Eleanor find the way to repair her own profoundly damaged one. *September 11, 2018—*A Higher Call: An Incredible True Story of Combat and Chivalry in the War-Torn Skies of World War II* by Adam Makos*

1:00 PM



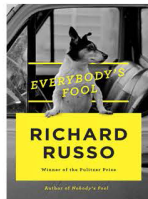
NPL Evening Book Club

Wednesday, June 20th

Everybody's Fool
by Richard Russo

The irresistible Sully, who in the intervening years has come by some unexpected good fortune, is now staring down a VA cardiologist's estimate that he only has a year or two left, and he's busy as hell keeping the news from the most important people in his life: Ruth, the married woman he carried on with for years ... the ultra-hapless Rub Squeers, who worries that he and Sully aren't still best friends. Sully's son and grandson, for whom he was mostly an absentee figure. Doug Raymer, now Chief of Police and still obsessing over the identity of the man his wife might have been having an affair with before she died in a freak accident. Bath's mayor, the former academic Gus Moynihan, who also has a pressing wife problem and then there's Carl Roebuck, whose lifelong run of failing upwards might now come to ruin. This book is filled with humor, heart, hard times, and characters who you can't help but love for all their faults. *September 19, 2018—*Playing with Fire* by Lawrence O'Donnell*

7:00 PM



Diversity and Discussion Book Club

Cosponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library and the Needham Human Rights Committee

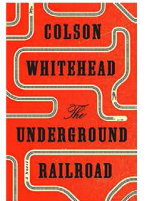
The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead

Thurs., June 21st

7:30 PM

A magnificent tour de force chronicling a young slave's adventures as she makes a desperate bid for freedom in the antebellum South.

Cora is a slave on a cotton plantation in Georgia. When Caesar, a recent arrival from Virginia, tells her about the Underground Railroad, they decide to take a terrifying risk and escape. Though they manage to find a station and head north, they are being hunted. Their first stop is South Carolina, in a city that initially seems like a haven. But the city's placid surface masks an insidious scheme designed for its black denizens. And even worse: Ridgeway, the relentless slave catcher, is close on their heels. *September 13, 2018—*Life, Animated: A Story of Sidekicks, Heroes, and Autism* by Ron Suskind*

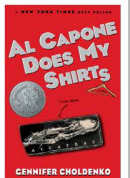


Bookventurers Book Club for Grades 3-5**

Sat., June 16th

3:15 - 4:15 PM

This month's title is *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko. Registration is requested, in person or call 781-455-7559, ext. 204. • Read the book • Discuss it with other kids • Participate in book themed activities • Make new friends! • Enjoy book themed snacks.



Family Book Club for K-2nd graders

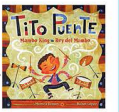
Sat., June 30

3:15 - 4:15 PM

This Week's Topic and Books: Latin Drumming!



Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music by Margarita Engle, illustrated by Rafael Lopez and ***Tito Puente, Mambo King*** by Monica Brown, illustrated by Rafael Lopez.



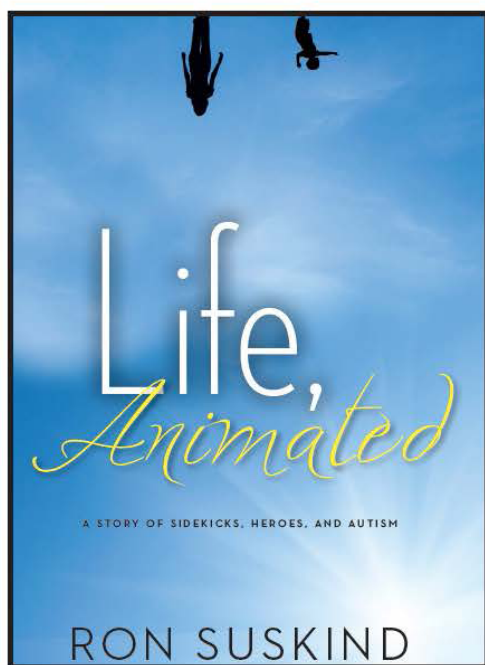
Read the two picture book biographies about well-known musician Tito Puente and Cuban woman drummer Millo Zaldarriaga. Learn about their musical contributions, listen to some music, and make your own percussion instruments! Snack included! This new book club will meet every few weeks and examine a new topic related to this summers' Libraries Rock! Summer Reading Program. Registration is requested. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.

This Month in the Friends' Gallery

From the Commonwealth Museum:

Louis Fuertes Bird Exhibit

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One Book, One Community Read

After the success of last year's **One Book, One Community Read**, the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library, as part of their Diversity Initiative, are pleased to announce this year's title: *Life, Animated: A Story of Sidekicks, Heroes, and Autism* by local author Ron Suskind.

Imagine being trapped inside a Disney movie and having to learn about life mostly from animated characters dancing across a screen of color. "A fantasy? A nightmare?" This is the real-life story of Owen Suskind, the son of the Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Ron Suskind and his wife, Cornelia. An autistic boy who couldn't speak for years, Owen memorized dozens of Disney movies, turned them into a language to express love and loss, kinship and brotherhood. The family was forced to become animated characters, communicating with him in Disney dialogue and song until they all emerge, together, revealing how, in darkness, we all literally need stories to survive.

Autism now affects 1% of the world population, and an astonishing 1 in every 41 births in the US are diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder. While America's 3.5 million autistic people are just as diverse as the wider population, many possess a subtle weave of gifts and challenges that, year by year, are revealing underlying—and often unrecognized—capacities of the human mind.

The Library will once again provide copies of the book for you to take (and return for the next person), starting in late May (on the book case opposite the Circulation Desk) and will host a series of Book Discussions in September 2018, along with other programs relating to this year's topic.

Keynote Speaker: Laura Kessel

Wed., September 5th

7:30 PM

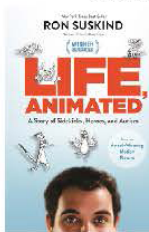
Laura Kessel, M.S., CCC-SLP, ATP, is a speech-language pathologist and an augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) specialist. She is currently the AAC Specialist for the Public Schools of Brookline, MA, serving students ages 3-22, as well as an AAC/AT Consultant for AT for Education. *Part of the One Book, One Community Read, this program is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.*



Documentary Film: *Life, Animated* (Rated PG, 93 minutes)

Sun., September 16th

2:00 PM



Owen Suskind was a boy of considerable promise, until he developed autism at the age of 3. As Owen withdrew into his silent state, his parents almost lost hope that he find some way to interact with his world in some meaningful way.

However, that way was found through animated films, especially those of the Walt Disney Company, which provided Owen a way to understand the world through its stories to the point of creating his own. This film covers the life of Owen and how he manages to become as functional as possible with the help of Disney and his family to the point of having his own life. However, Owen soon learns as well that there is more to real life than what Disney can illustrate in animation even as his family prepares itself for an uncertain future with him. *Based on this year's One Book, One Community Read, this film is sponsored by the Trustees of the Needham Free Public Library.*

Book Discussion Schedule

Thurs., September 6th 7:30 PM

Sun., September 9th 2:00 PM

Tues., September 18th 7:30 PM

The *Diversity and Discussion Book Club* will also be discussing the One Book, One Community choice at their Thurs., September 13th meeting at 7:30 PM.