



LIBRARY NOTES

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

MARCH 2018

IMMIGRATION JUSTICE FILM SERIES

Under the Same Moon (Rated PG-13, 110 minutes)

Thurs., March 1st

7:00 PM

Under the Same Moon tells the parallel stories of nine-year-old Carlitos and his mother, Rosario. In the hopes of providing a better life for her son, Rosario works illegally in the United States while her mother cares for Carlitos back in Mexico. Unexpected circumstances drive both Rosario and Carlitos to embark on their own journeys in a desperate attempt to reunite. Along the way, mother and son face challenges and obstacles but never lose hope that they will one day be together again. The movie will be followed by a short, 30 minute discussion. With immigration/refugee justice currently a central part of our national discussion, *Temple Beth Shalom* and the *Needham Free Public Library* are proud to co-sponsor a film series intended to further community exploration of this important issue. Each film that has been selected will help inspire new ideas and understandings and will serve as a springboard to discussion.

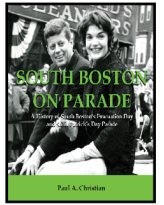


Author Paul A. Christian—*South Boston on Parade*

Thurs., March 15th

7:30 PM

In this most enjoyable and informative work, author Paul Christian traces the *Saint Patrick's Day Parade's* history from 1901 to the present, through hundreds of photographs and historical details. He guides us through the several changes that have occurred over the past century, from a march commemorating George Washington's first military victory, to a procession celebrating Irish heritage and the Patron Saint of Ireland, to a general day of good cheer. "The Evacuation Day/Saint Patrick's Day Parade is an integral part of South Boston," says Robert Allison, President of the *South Boston Historical Society*, with this book being "the definitive history of the Evacuation Day/Saint Patrick's



Day Parade." Paul A. Christian is the retired Commissioner and Chief of Department, for the *Boston Fire Department*. The book will be available for purchase following the presentation. *This program is sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

The Progressive Era: The Promise of America with Dr. Gary Hylander

Tues., March 20th

7:30 PM

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Captains of Industry amassed enormous fortunes in steel, railroads and oil. By the turn of the century, America had also emerged as an imperial power as well. To manage these enormous changes, President Theodore Roosevelt and the Progressives believed that government honestly administered, guided by experts and enspirited by the ideals of the social gospel, could bring order, prosperity and security to all Americans. *This is the third of five lectures in this series, and is sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*

A Young Person's Concert With the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra

Sat., March 3rd

11:00 AM



Musicians from the Wellesley Symphony Orchestra will introduce you and your children to the insides of an orchestra. See and hear: strings, winds, brass and percussion! Listen to a string quartet and learn about the instruments. Learn about melody, counter-melody, and other concepts that make music interesting. This family-friendly introduction to music is free and open to all ages. *Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

Needham's Art in Bloom

Sat., March 10th

9 AM – 5 PM

Sun., March 11th

1 PM – 5 PM

Featuring 75+ displays of Needham High School creative student artwork with colorful floral interpretations by Beth Shalom Garden Club members with participants from the Kalmia and Needham Garden Clubs, too. Roche Bros. is generously sponsoring this free event. For more information visit: NeedhamArtinBloom.com.



St. Patrick's Day: Celtic Chocolate Program with Chocolatier Kim Larkin**

Sun., March 25th

2:00 PM





This program highlights the history of chocolate and the Irish pioneers who helped along the way. Chocolatier Kim Larkin will also talk about the history of famous Celtic foods, Celtic lore, and Irish poetry. Samplings of Dublin tea, Irish bread, Blarney cheese, and beautiful celtic art chocolates will finish off this presentation. ****Registration is required. Please contact the Reference Desk 781-455-7559 (option 2), starting March 12th. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.**


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 March


 **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**
Tues., Mar. 6, 20, 27 10:00 AM
 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.

 **Babies & Books for up to one year**
Tues., Mar. 6, 20, 27 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., Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28 10:00 AM
 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.

 **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-6 years**
Mon., Mar. 5, 12, 26 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.


Storytimes from Around the World

Chinese Storytime for ages 5 and under
Sat., Mar. 3 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.

FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING


Sat., Mar. 17 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.

Pajama Storytime for Ages 4 and Under *


Tues., Mar. 27 7:00 PM
 Come in your PJs and enjoy a storytime program led by the Kappa Kappa Gamma Society of Babson College. ***Registration requested.**

Children's Programs in March


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

 **Wed., Mar. 7 11:00 AM**
Mon., Mar. 19 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., Mar. 9 3:00 PM**
Thurs., Mar. 15 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., Mar. 13 (ages 2-5) 10:00 AM**
Tues., Mar. 13 (ages 2 and under) 11:00 AM
Fri., Mar. 23 (ages 2-5) 10:00 AM
Fri., Mar. 23 (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.


Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss

Fri., Mar. 2
 Join us to celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday and Read Across America. Stop by all day for Dr. Seuss themed activities and a sticker.



Make Green Gooey Oobleck for ages 5+ 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Pre-school Crafts for ages 2+ years

 **Thurs., Mar. 8 10:30-11:30 AM**
 Drop-in for age appropriate Make-N-Take Crafts!

Yoga for Children ages 5-9

 **Sat., Mar. 31 10:30 AM**

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

March Programs

ART MAKERS: Silk Sun-Catchers for ages 8+

Tues., March 6

4:00 PM

Join local artist Nicole Donson from *Nicole's Art Spot* for this Art Maker Session. Kids will paint spectacular silk sun-catchers. This drop-in class will be held in the Children's Department STEAM Center.



Code Breakers Club**

Mon., March 5, 19

4:00 PM

Code Breakers is a coding club for children ages 6 to 9. It meets every other Monday at 4:00 pm through March. Children will learn logical thinking skills and engage in plugged and unplugged coding activities. Children are encouraged to bring their own laptop or tablet. **Space is limited. **Registration is required. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.**



Crazy 8s Club**

Wednesdays, March 7th—April 25th

K-2nd Grade

3:30-4:15 PM

3-5th Grade

4:30-5:15 PM



Join Bedtime Math's Crazy 8s Club, where you'll build stuff, run and jump, make music, make a mess...it's a totally new kind of math club. **Space is limited.**

****Registration required. Sign up is for all 8 sessions.**

Phil Rossoni Presents: The Walkalong Glider**

Tues., March 27th

4:00 PM

Learn about walkalong gliders and build your own in this interactive workshop led by Phil Rossoni. This workshop includes demonstrations as well as hands-on flying time with your own walkalong glider! ****For Grades 1-5 and Registration is required. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.**



Play with STEAM for ages 3-5

Fri., Mar. 2, 16, 30

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.*



Creation Station Hours

Mon.-Tues. 3:30 - 8:30 PM

Wednesday 5:30 - 8:30 PM

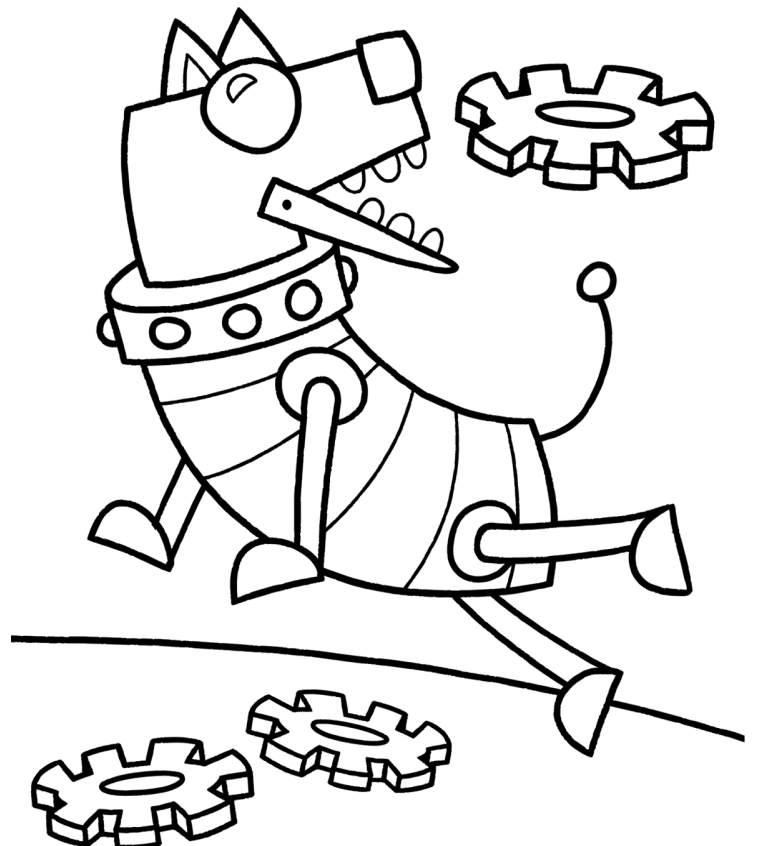
Thursday 3:30 - 5:30 PM

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Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday 1:00 - 6:30 PM

Early Release Days 1:00 - 8:30 PM



Teens and 'Tweens Programs in March

Joy of Coloring for Teens/'Tweens and Up

Thurs., March 1st 3:00-5:00 PM



Coloring and crafting enthusiasts are welcome to color and craft! The Library will supply all you need (pencils, markers, coloring sheets, as well as a few snacks). Come for the coloring and conversation with your fellow coloring enthusiasts! If you don't feel like coloring but still want to be crafty, we can find you something to create. *Coloring sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham and Crafts by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

Spring Wreath Making Crafternoon for 'Tweens and Up

Thurs., March 15th 4:00-5:00 PM



Come help warm things up with a Spring Wreath Making Crafternoon. Ages 9 and up are welcome to create paper flower spring inspired wreaths with paper, string, and other materials. Spend an hour with friends, enjoy some snacks, and craft. As always, materials, snacks, and enjoyment provided! *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library. Contact Erin at the Adult Reference Desk if you have any questions (781-455-7559, option 2).*

Teen/'Tween Movie: *The Secret of Kells* (NR, 75 minutes)

Fri., March 16th

3:30 PM

Come celebrate Saint Patrick's Day a day early by watching the animated film *The Secret of Kells*. Magic, fantasy, and Celtic mythology come together in a riot of color and detail that dazzle the eyes in a sweeping story about the power of imagination and faith to carry humanity through dark times.



In a remote medieval outpost of Ireland, young Brendan embarks on a new life of adventure when a celebrated master illuminator arrives from foreign lands carrying a book brimming with secret wisdom and powers. To help complete the magical book, Brendan has to overcome his deepest fears on a dangerous quest that takes him into the enchanted forest where mythical creatures hide. It is here that he meets the fairy Aisling, a mysterious young wolf-girl, who helps him along the way. But with the barbarians closing in, will Brendan's determination and artistic vision illuminate the darkness and show that enlightenment is the best fortification against evil? *Please ask for Erin (by calling 781-455-7559, option 2) with questions and for more information. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

Children's Program in March

Game Day for 'Tweens and up

Thurs., March 22nd

3:30 PM



Come for an hour of Gaming Fun! There will be games and puzzles of all sorts including a few to get you using the Xbox One. If there is a game that you have and want to bring with you, feel free. No registration is needed for this monthly event. Come for the comradery with your fellow gamers. *Please ask for Erin (by calling 781-455-7559, option 2) with questions and for more information. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

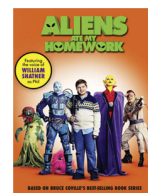


Children's Movie: *Aliens Ate My Homework* (Rated PG, 90 Min.)

Fri., March 30th

2:00 PM

Based on Bruce Coville's best-selling book series, this suspenseful family comedy follows the adventures of sixth-grader Rod Allbright and the extraterrestrial lawmen known as the Galactic Patrol. When a tiny spaceship flies through his window and lands on his science project, Rod and his cousin Elspeth meet a group of friendly aliens, including Phil, a talking plant (voiced by William Shatner). The earthlings quickly join the aliens' adventurous mission to help defeat an evil alien criminal. After discovering the evil alien is disguised as a human—someone they know all too well—Rod and Elspeth race to save the world from total planetary disaster. *Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*



DID YOU KNOW...

NEW DATABASES

Starting in January, the Library now has access to two new online resources from Newsbank. America's News provides access to information on people, issues and events



in the local area and around the country. This comprehensive resource offers hundreds of millions of current and archived full-text articles

from news sources nationwide in a single, fully searchable online database. It includes the electronic editions of more than 3,000 U.S. news sources with new articles added daily. In addition, America's Obituaries & Death Notices collects records from more than 3,900 newspapers nationwide daily, making them available through one fully searchable database. This comprehensive resource features nearly 63 million listings—about 90% of all recent obituaries and death notices published in the United States. Each record is individually indexed, providing bibliographic citation information: the news source's name, date, city, state, edition and page number. These databases are accessible 24/7 online at the library or remotely. Articles can be downloaded, emailed, saved to a personal clipboard or printed. Newsbank can even set up email alerts for articles that are of interest, delivered directly to any email address.



The Library Foundation of Needham has provided funding for the Gale Virtual Reference Collection, which provides easy, full-text access, to searchable interdisciplinary e-books valuable for research. Go to <http://www.mln.lib.ma.us/electronic/nee1.htm> to see this and other online resources.

This Month in the Friends' Gallery

Kira Seamon

Stained Glass and Flower Egg

Kaleidoscopes

Library Hours:

Mon. - Thurs.

9:00 am - 9:00 pm

Fridays

9:00 am - 5:30 pm

Saturdays

9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Sundays

1:00 pm - 7:00 pm

March Book Discussions

NPL Book Group

Tuesday, March 13th

The Sandcastle Girls

by Chris Bohjalian

*When Elizabeth Endicott arrives in Aleppo, Syria, she has a diploma from Mount Holyoke, a crash course in nursing, and only the most basic grasp of the Armenian language. It's 1915, and Elizabeth has volunteered to help deliver food and medical aid to refugees of the Armenian Genocide during the First World War. There she meets Armen, a young Armenian engineer who has already lost his wife and infant daughter. After leaving Aleppo and traveling into Egypt to join the British Army, he begins to write Elizabeth letters, realizing that he has fallen in love with the wealthy young American. Years later, their American granddaughter, Laura, embarks on a journey back through her family's history, uncovering a story of love, loss—and a wrenching secret that has been buried for generations. *April 10, 2018—The Reluctant Fundamentalist by Mohsin Hamid**

1:00 PM



NPL Evening Book Club

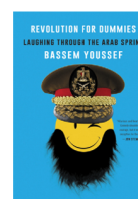
Wednesday, March 21st

Revolution for Dummies

by Bassem Youssef

*Bassem Youssef recounts his life and offers hysterical riffs on the hypocrisy, instability, and corruption that has long animated Egyptian politics. From the attempted cover-up of the violent clashes in Tahrir Square, to the government's announcement that it had created the world's first 'AIDS cure' machine, to the conviction of officials that Youssef was a CIA operative, recruited by Jon Stewart, to bring down the country through sarcasm—there's much more, and it's all insanely true. *April 18, 2018—The Genius of Birds by Jennifer Ackerman**

7:00 PM



THE NEEDHAM HILLS PUBLIC LIBRARY Bookventurers!

SKYPE Q&A WITH SUSAN ROSS

Saturday, March 3rd

3:15-4:15 PM



This is part of the monthly meeting for Bookventurers, a book club for 3rd-5th grade children! There will be a new book selection each month. Registration is requested. Books are available for borrowing



Upcoming Events...

IMMIGRATION JUSTICE FILM SERIES

An American Tail (Rated G, 80 minutes)

Sun., April 8th 3:00 PM



A young mouse named Fievel Mousekewitz and his family emigrate from Russia to the United States by boat after their home is destroyed by cats. During the trip, a fierce storm throws Fievel from the ship, and he loses contact with his family. Luckily, he manages to sail to New

York in a bottle. There, Irish mouse Bridget, an Italian mouse named Tony and a kindly cat named Tiger help Fievel search for his loved ones. This movie is for ages 3 and up. With immigration/refugee justice currently a central part of our national discussion, *Temple Beth Shalom* and the *Needham Free Public Library* are proud to co-sponsor a film series intended to further community exploration of this important issue. Each film that has been selected will help inspire new ideas and understandings and will serve as a springboard to discussion.

New England Reptiles and Raptors Presents Birds of Prey

Tues., April 17th 2:30 PM



Join naturalist, artist, and falconer Marla Isaac for this presentation of live birds of prey, a fascinating group of predators that few people fully understand! Marla will talk about the lives of these aerial hunters includ-

ing: natural history, biology, adaptations, habitats, poaching, falconry and the management of these animals in the wild and how the laws and regulations protect them. Owls, hawks, falcons and vultures await you up-close and personal.

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Tinseltown Inventor, The Most Beautiful Woman in the World: Hedy Lamarr

Sun., April 29th 2:00 PM



Upon hearing the name Hedy Lamarr, whom do you see? A smoldering, bejeweled temptress, perched on velour cushions, in the 1949 Hollywood classic *Samson and Delilah*? Or, a demure and professionally clad inventor, embarking on scientific ideas that were generations ahead of her time? Hedy Lamarr was not only a great starlet in Hollywood's Golden Age, she was also devoted to helping the Allies beat the Nazi forces in WWII. Whether selling war bonds for \$50,000 a kiss, or inventing a secret communication system, with the help of American composer George Antheil, Hedy Lamarr knows she is more than just a glamorous girl! History At Play™ introduces you to a woman clouded in a fantasy world that only Tinseltown could create. Watch, as this young Viennese refugee transforms to become *The Most Beautiful Woman in the World*, all the while inventing technology that would become the forerunner to GPS, WIFI, and all wireless telecommunications using Spread Spectrum Technology. Suitable for ages 13 and up. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*

Children's Movie: Disney/Pixar's *Coco* (Rated PG, 120 minutes)

Fri., April 20th 2:00 PM



Once every year, ghosts travel from the Land of the Dead to see family members and friends in the living world. There has never been a case of a living person traveling to the Land of the Dead... Miguel dreams of being a musician, but his family has banned music playing for many years. When he finds an old guitar, he tries to play it and finds himself no longer corporeal. Miguel, and his dog, Dante, follow the dead into the Land of the Dead where he meets his deceased family members who attempt to get him home. *Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

NEW DATABASE—HOOPLA

Hoopla is a new digital service that allows Needham residents to borrow free digital movies, TV shows, music, audiobooks, e-books, and comics! Access over 50,000 titles on your smartphone, tablet, computer, or TV with just your library card. Visit hoopladigital.com to get started. *Generously funded by the Friends of the Needham Public Library.*



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