



# LIBRARY NOTES

NEWSLETTER OF THE NEEDHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

NOVEMBER 2017

## JFK @ 100 with Dr. Gary Hylander

Tues., November 21st

7:30 PM



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## Women in World Jazz

Sun., November 19th

2:00 PM



*Women In World Jazz brings together women of different nationalities with extensive experience in performance and education. The music is easy to relate to, diverse, and danceable. All members of the group are accomplished musicians playing a variety of musical styles ranging from Jazz to world/ethnic. Our international roster directly influences the choice of repertoire. The music and dance we're featuring are from Cuba, Brazil, Cape Verde, Japan, and the Middle East. The program is an educational, family-friendly presentation that allows audience participation for all ages. **This program is sponsored by the *Friends of the Needham Library*.***

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## Fall is the season for Our Annual Appeal

Help us support our Library's many special programs, events, services and other needs with a financial donation to the LFN Endowment.

Write a check to Library Foundation of Needham or donate online at [lfnonline.org](http://lfnonline.org). Click the Donate Now button. The Annual Appeal brochure and donation envelopes are available at the Circulation and Reference Desk.

Thank you,

The LFN Board of Directors

## Device Advice for iPads and iPhones



Are you having trouble with your Apple device? Want to know more about downloading eBooks or digital magazines from the library? Sign up for a 20-minute one-on-one session with a librarian who will give advice about your device! Bring your iPad or iPhone and any associated charging cables. (Note: Staff Members cannot fix your device nor are they Apple Geniuses. We are here to help you learn basic skills.) There is a signup form on the website at <http://www.needhamma.gov/index.aspx?nid=4550> or stop by the Reference Desk to schedule an appointment.



## 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


For further information about upcoming events, go to [www.needhamma.gov/library](http://www.needhamma.gov/library).


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

## Children's Story Times in November

 **Terrific Toddlers for ages 1-2 years**  
**Tues., Nov. 7, 21** **10:00 AM**  
 Stories mixed with songs, rhymes, fingerplays, rhythm and sensory activities.

 **Babies & Books Up to One Year**  
**Tues., Nov. 7, 21** **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., Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29** **10:00 AM**  
 Songs, rhymes, lap games, books and more in this interactive program.

 **Pre-School Palooza for ages 3-6 years**  
**Mon., Nov. 6, 13, 27** **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., Nov. 4** **9:30 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+**

**Wed., Nov. 15** **4:00-5:00 PM**

## FAMILY ACTIVITY MORNING

**Sat., Nov. 18** **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 November

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



**Wed., Nov. 1** **11:00 AM**

**Mon., Nov. 20** **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., Nov. 10** **3:00 PM**

**Thurs., Nov. 16** **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., Nov. 14 (ages 2-5)** **10:00 AM**

**Tues., Nov. 14 (ages 2 and under)** **11:00 AM**

**Tues., Nov. 28 (ages 2-5)** **10:00 AM**

**Tues., Nov. 28 (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*.

### Yoga for Children ages 2-4 **\*Registration Required\***



**Sun., Nov. 5** **1:30 PM**

### Fall Crafts for ages 2+ years



**Thurs., Nov. 9** **10:30-11:30 AM**

Drop-in for age appropriate Make-N-Take Crafts!

### Yoga for Children ages 5-9



**Sat., Nov. 25** **10:30 AM**

### Be the Industrial Designer—Fall Crafts for ages 6+



**Wed., Nov. 22** **3:30-4:30 PM**

Drop-in for age appropriate Make-N-Take Crafts!

For further information about upcoming events, go to [www.needhamma.gov/library](http://www.needhamma.gov/library).



## November STEAM Programs

### Girls Who Code Club for Grades 5 and Up

September 2017 through April 2018

Thurs., November 2, 9, 16, 30 6:00-8:00 PM



Calling all girls grades 5 and Up! Bring your own computer and the library will provide the rest. Join the club and the fun. Learn to code, and collaborate on joint projects. Registration is required. Space is limited and attendees are expected to attend all sessions.

### Maker Space Learning Hub Workshop: Monet's Pond for ages 6 and up

Tues., November 14th

4:00 PM



Celebrate Monet's Water Lilies with a remake of one of art history's most celebrated art pieces with Giselle Rivere-Flores of the *Learning Hub*. Children will learn about and recreate Monet's famous water lilies. This Maker Space Workshop is sponsored by the *Library Foundation of Needham*.

### Maker Space Learning Hub Workshop: Catapults for ages 6 and up

Tues., November 28th

4:00 PM



Become an engineer and make your own Marshmallow Catapult of popsicle sticks and rubberbands with Giselle Rivere-Flores of the *Learning Hub*. This Maker Space Workshop is funded by the *Library Foundation of Needham*.



### Creation Station Hours

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

Friday 3:30 - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday 1:00 - 6:30 PM

Early Release Days 1:00 - 8:30 PM

## Children's Programs in November

### Mystic Paper Beasts—Sky Tales:

#### A Constellation of Native American Tales

Sat., November 18th

2:30 PM

*The Mystic Paper Beasts theater troupe has been cheered around the globe for its extraordinary collection of simply-made yet expressive mythological masks, ingenious props which transform everyday objects into beasts, beings, tools and treasures, and for the whimsy and exuberance of their performance—a playful style full of rapid changes, dancing, miming, and singing. Sky Tales presents a constellation of Native American Tales from seven different Native nations—tales of the sky gathered like stars from a variety of traditional narratives, magical revealing, and transformative. Characters are distinguishable by the 25 hand-made masks worn by the two Beast players. Sky Tales teaches the audience about myth, grounding them in some of the fundamental stories from Native American tradition and will inspire them with a Do-It-Yourself approach to art-making. Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.*



### Children's Movie: Cars 3 (Rated G, 109 min.)

Fri., November 24th

10:00 AM

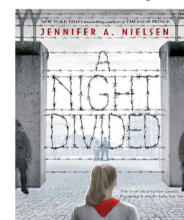


*After years at the top of the racing game, Lightning McQueen is determined to show the younger, faster cars like rookie Jackson Storm that he still belongs on the track. After he is pushed out of the scene by faster cars, Lightning teams up with a clever young race technician with Piston Cup dreams. Using inspiration from the legendary Hudson Hornet, Lightning works harder than ever to prove that he still has what it takes! Our Annual Alternative to Shopping Movie Presentation, sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*

### Bookventurers

#### A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen

Saturday, November 18th | 10:15-11:15 AM



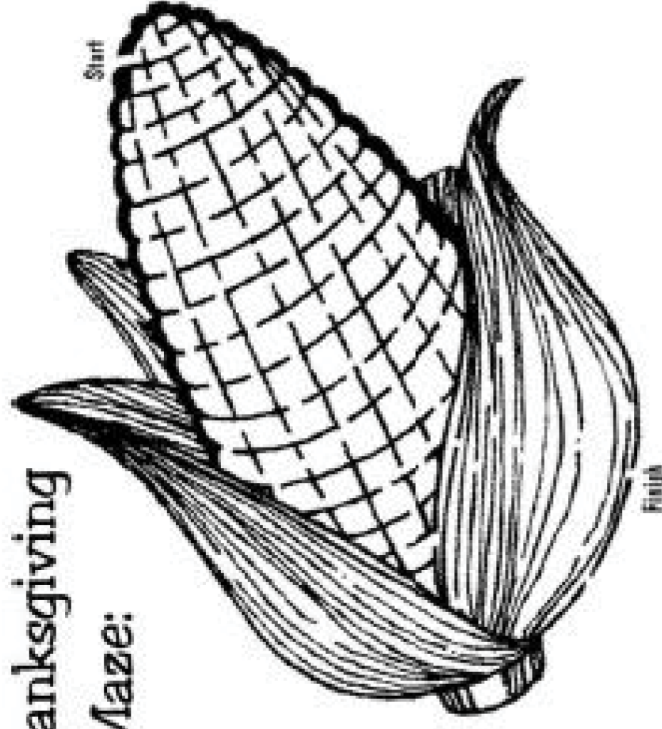
*28 years ago, on November 9th, 1989, the Berlin Wall came down...*

- Read the book
- Discuss it with friends
- Immerse yourself in history with photos, interactive games, and relics of the past
- As always, enjoy yummy snacks
- There will be NO author Skype for this session

\*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 will be available for borrowing, behind the Children's Desk.\*

# Thanksgiving Day

## A Thanksgiving Maze:

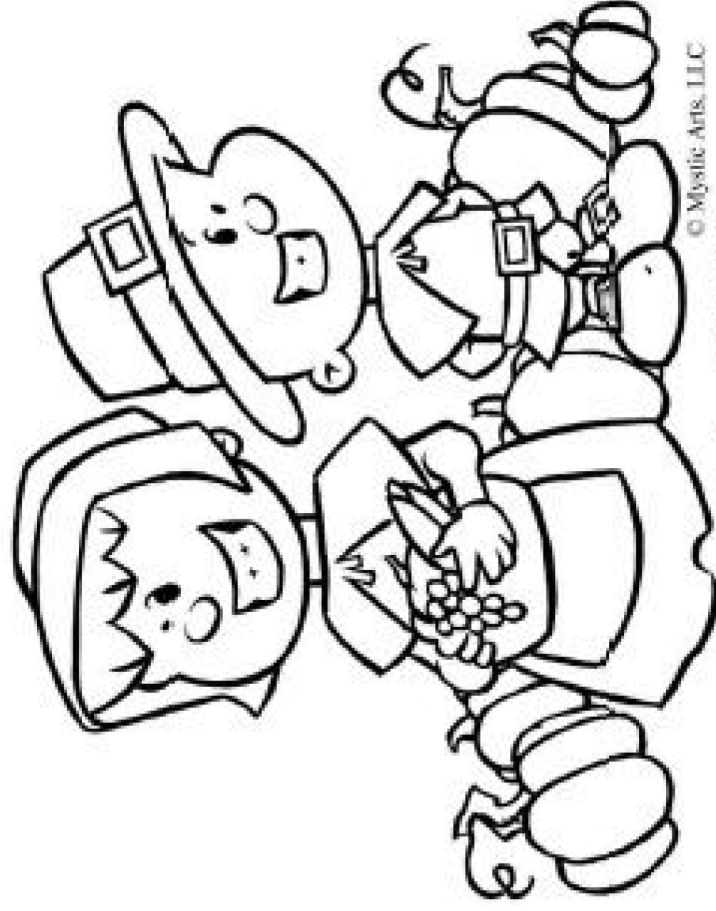


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## Teens and 'Tweens Programs in November

### 'Tween/Teen Crafternoon—I am Thankful for...Crafts

Thurs., November 2nd 4:00-5:00 PM



Did you see a 'Tween/Teen craft program that you wished you could have attended this past year? Then this is the Program for you! Help us clean out our craft supplies and make that craft you missed. Spend an hour with friends, enjoy some snacks, and craft. All materials, drinks and snacks provided. Sponsored by the *Friends of the Needham Public Library*.



### Joy of Coloring For 'Tweens and up

Thurs., Nov. 9th 3:00-5:00 PM



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!

Sponsored by the *Library Foundation of Needham*.

### 'Tween/Teen Movie—The Nightmare Before Christmas (Rated PG, 75 minutes)

Thurs., November 16th 3:30 PM

Bored with the same old scare-and-scream routine, Jack Skellington, the Pumpkin King of Halloween Town, longs to spread the joy of Christmas. But his merry mission puts Santa in jeopardy and creates a nightmare for good little boys and girls everywhere! Sponsored by the *Needham Free Public Library*.



### Game Day for 'Tweens and up

Thurs., November 30th 3:00 PM



Come for an hour of Gaming Fun! From Card and Board Games, to electronic Games on the Xbox One! You are welcome to bring your own games if you wish.



Come for the comradery with your fellow gamers. Sponsored by the *Needham Free Public Library*.

## November Book Discussions

### NPL Book Group

Tuesday, November 14th

1:00 PM

#### *The Sympathizer*

by Viet Thanh Nguyen

*It is April 1975, and Saigon is in chaos. At his villa, a general of the South Vietnamese army is drinking whiskey and, with the help of his trusted captain, drawing up a list of those who will be given passage aboard the last flights out of the country. The general and his compatriots start a new life in Los Angeles, unaware that one among their number, the captain, is secretly observing and reporting on the group to a higher-up in the Viet Cong. *The Sympathizer* is the story of this captain: a man brought up by an absent French father and a poor Vietnamese mother, a man who went to university in America, but returned to Vietnam to fight for the Communist cause. A gripping spy novel, an astute exploration of extreme politics, and a moving love story, *The Sympathizer* explores a life between two worlds and examines the legacy of the Vietnam War in literature, film, and the wars we fight today. The winner of the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Fiction. \*December 12, 2017— *Catcher in the Rye* by J. D. Salinger\**



### NPL Evening Book Club

Wednesday, November 15th

7:00 PM

#### *Small Great Things*

by Jodi Picoult

Ruth Jefferson is a labor and delivery nurse at a Connecticut hospital with more than twenty years' experience. During her shift, Ruth begins a routine checkup on a newborn, only to be told a few minutes later that she's been reassigned to another patient. The parents are white supremacists and don't want Ruth, who is African American, to touch their child. The hospital complies with their request, but the next day, the baby goes into cardiac distress while Ruth is alone in the nursery. Does she obey orders or does she intervene? Ruth hesitates before performing CPR and, as a result, is charged with a serious crime. Kennedy McQuarrie, a white public defender, takes her case but gives unexpected advice: Kennedy insists that mentioning race in the courtroom is not a winning strategy. As the trial moves forward, Ruth and Kennedy must gain each other's trust, and come to see that what they've been taught their whole lives about others—and themselves—might be wrong. \*December 20, 2017— *American Philosophy* by John Kaag\*



## This Month in the Friends' Gallery Needham Art Association

## Upcoming Events...

**JFK @ 100 with Dr. Gary Hylander**  
**Tues., December 12th 7:30 PM**



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**Children's Movie: *Despicable Me 3* (Rated PG, 96 minutes)**

**Fri., December 15th 3:30 PM**

*Despicable Me 3 continues the story of Gru, Lucy, their adorable daughters—Margo, Edith and Agnes—and the Minions. After he is fired from the Anti-Villain League for failing to take down Balthazar Bratt, the latest bad guy to threaten humanity, Gru finds himself in the midst of a major identity crisis. But when a mysterious stranger shows up to inform Gru that he has a long-lost twin brother—a brother who desperately wishes to follow in his twin's despicable footsteps—one former super-villain will rediscover just how good it feels to be bad. Sponsored by the Needham Free Public Library.*



### December Holiday Closings

December 24 - Library Closed  
 December 25 - Library Closed  
 December 31 - Library Closes at 5:00 PM  
 January 1, 2018 - Library Closed



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**Pumpernickel Puppets presents *Saint George and the Dragon***

**Tues., December 26th 10:30 AM**



Join an adventurous princess as she journeys to Mystery Mountain to visit the Great Green Dragon. Along the way you'll meet Zelda the babysitter, a silly bat, Sir George and his clumsy dog, and of course the lovable dragon. Will Sir George slay the dragon? Not to worry, everything ends happily in this fun show. Pumpernickel Puppet shows are presented with a cast of colorful puppet characters, audience participation, live voices and sound effects and fast paced scripts that not only entertain, but stimulate children's imagination and creativity. A demonstration period follows every performance giving the audience some insight into what happens behind the scenes. For ages 3 and up, accompanied by an adult. **Sponsored by the Library Foundation of Needham.**

**'Twens and Teens Interactive Movie:**

***Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* (Rated PG, 2 hrs., 32 minutes)**

**Tues., December 26th 6:00-10:00 PM**



*This is the tale of Harry Potter, an ordinary 11-year-old boy who learns that he is actually a wizard and has been invited to attend the Hogwarts School for Witchcraft and Wizardry. Harry is snatched away from his mundane existence by Hagrid, the grounds keeper for Hogwarts, and quickly thrown into a world completely foreign to both him and the viewer. Famous for an incident that happened at his birth, Harry makes friends easily at his new school. He soon finds, however, that the wizarding world is far more dangerous for him than he would have imagined, and he quickly learns that not all wizards are ones to be trusted.*

After the success of **Hobbit Day**, the library will once again host an interactive movie experience, this time showing ***Harry Potter and the Sorcerers Stone***, with a Trivia contest, Prizes and all sorts of food and fun, with an intermission in the middle. You're welcome to come dressed as your favorite Hogwarts character! **\*\*Registration is Required for this event.** \*\* You can register by calling 781-455-7559, option 2. Please ask for Erin (Adult Reference) with questions and for more information about this exciting event.