Introducing Mobile Checkout using the Minuteman App on your Device

Using the Minuteman App (downloadable via the App Store on your device), and then choosing the Needham Free Public Library during the setup of your account in the App, you can now checkout your items without having to wait in line at the Circulation Desk. A Minuteman patron with this mobile app can check out any item in any Minuteman library (even those not participating).

By selecting the menu item (under My Account), patrons are taken to a screen that allows them to scan a barcode with their device’s camera (you will need to give your device camera permission to do so during setup), or manually enter the barcode number. The app sends the checkout request to Sierra (Minuteman’s Circulation Software), which calculates the patron’s eligibility for that item. If approved, the item is checked-out to the patron, following the loan rule of the selected library. The device displays the title and due date. If the patron is ineligible to borrow that item for any reason, the checkout is declined and the app displays the message “Unable to borrow.” If you do receive this message, please go to the Circulation Desk to inquire why.

Weekly Program: Tween Craft & Chat Hour!

A Virtual (and 1x per month in-person) Program for Ages 10 - 12

Wednesdays from 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Registration Required to Get Link

Weekly Program: Tween Craft & Chat Hour!

This Summer in the Friends’ Gallery

Mark Richards

July 2021

Paula Pitman Brown

August 2021

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Contact the Library at 781-455-7559
Sign up for the 2021 Summer Reading Program for Tweens and Teens at
www.needhamma.beanstack.org or pick up a paper reading log at the Library

Tails and Tales

Tweens and Teens will log the books they read (their choice). They may read independently, be read aloud to, or listen to audiobooks.

Tweens and Teens Grades 6 - 12 who register online will embark on a journey across the globe collecting animals as they go. For every 5 books read, they will be given another opportunity for a small physical prize (with some fun along the way). Every book read will get you a ticket toward a grand prize drawing at the end of the summer and a chance at a weekly drawing throughout the summer.

This year's prizes are going to be similar to last year, gift cards to local establishments (Abbott's Frozen Custard, Dunkin Donuts, and places of your choosing around town), as well as 4 GRAND prizes (2 $25 gift cards and 2 yet to be determined!) drawn at the conclusion of the Tail-End of the Summer Party.
2021 Summer Reading Programs

*Ages and location indicated for each program*

Register for all events at needhamma.assabetinteractive.com/calendar

**Weekly Programs:**

Wed., June, July, and August - Tween Craft and Chat continues!
Register for each week’s program online
mix of In-Person and Virtual Zoom meetings (Weather dependent), Ages 10 - 12.

**Special Programs and Make and Take Kits:**

Mon. June 14 - Fri. June 18 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week
Perler Bead Fun
Register for this Perler Bead kit activity to take and make on your own
In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18.

Thurs., June 17 - 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Comic Book Book Club Meeting
Join us for the last meeting of the year as we discuss "The Life-Changing Manga of Tidying Up"
by Marie Kondo (and illustrated by Yuko Uramoto)
Virtual Program, For Ages 14 and up.

Wed., July 7 - 3:30 - 4:30 pm - Tie Dye at the Library! (details on location to follow)
Rain Date following Wednesday, July 14 3:30 - 4:30
Bring your own stuff if you can!
In-Person, masks required for non-vaccinated folks, Ages 10 - 18.

Mon. July 12 - Sat. July 17 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week
Make your own personal Mini Zen Garden to take and make on your own
In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18.

Mon. July 26 - Sat. July 31 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week
Book Hedgehogs! Easiest pets to take care of (besides a pet rock)
In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18

Mon. August 16 - Tues. August 24 - Paint Kit Pickup for Painting with Chelsea
for a virtually run program
In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18 for Virtual
Zoom Paint Program with Chelsea held on Thurs., August 26 - 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Sat. August 28 - 2 - 4 pm Tween / Teen Tail-End of The Summer Reading Party
Rain Date TBD
Tee Shirt Shenanigans, Popsicles, and Grand Prize Drawings!
In-Person, masks required for non-vaccinated folks, Location TBD, Grades 6 - 12
The Turn of the Screw by Henry James

By the comforts of a blazing fireplace on a cold Christmas Eve night, guests at a holiday party share stories of phantoms and ghosts of Christmases past. Yet one guest delivers a tale of sheer fright for which no one listening was prepared. As the story goes, after losing both parents, a young boy and girl move into a large wooded estate to be held under the care of their uncle. Wanting nothing to do with raising the children, the uncle hires a young governess to attend to their care. Yet the governess never could have anticipated the horrors that await her discovery. When it becomes evident that the children have some supernatural connection with a deceased former governess and her lover, the young governess finds herself scrambling to regain control of two children slipping away from her grasp. Please email neemail1@minlib.net if you wish to have your email address added to our monthly Zoom link mailing. *September 14, 2021—The Cellist of Sarajevo by Steven Galloway*

**NPL Book Group**
**Tuesday, August 10th**
**The Turn of the Screw** by Henry James

The Bookworm’s Evening Book Club
**Monday, September 20th**
**This Tender Land** by William Kent Krueger

In the summer of 1932, on the banks of Minnesota’s Gilead River, Odie O’Banion is an orphan confined to the Lincoln Indian Training School, a pitiless place where his lively nature earns him the superintendent’s wrath. Forced to flee after committing a terrible crime, he and his brother, Albert, their best friend, Mose, and a brokenhearted little girl named Emmy steal away in a canoe, heading for the mighty Mississippi and a place to call their own.

Over the course of one summer, these four orphans journey into the unknown and cross paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. With the feel of a modern classic, This Tender Land is an enthralling, big-hearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole. *October 18, 2021—Born on a Blue Day by Daniel Tammet.*

*Registration required on Assabet to receive the Zoom link. Register here at: [https://needhamma.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/](https://needhamma.assabetinteractive.com/calendar/)*

**Upcoming Book Discussions**

NPL Book Group
**Tuesday, July 13th**
**The Great Gatsby**
by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Young, handsome, and fabulously rich, Jay Gatsby seems to have everything. But at his mansion east of New York City, in West Egg, Long Island, where the party never seems to end, he’s often alone in the glittering Jazz Age crowd, watching and waiting, as speculation swirls around him—that he’s a bootlegger, that he was a German spy during the war, that he even killed a man. As writer Nick Carraway is drawn into this decadent orbit, he begins to see beneath the shimmering surface of the enigmatic Gatsby, for whom one thing will always be out of reach: Nick’s cousin, the married Daisy Buchanan, whose house is visible from Gatsby’s just across the bay.

A brilliant evocation of the Roaring Twenties and a satire of a post-war America obsessed with wealth and status, The Great Gatsby is a novel whose power remains undiminished after a century. Please email neemail1@minlib.net if you wish to have your email address added to our monthly Zoom link mailing. *August 10, 2021—The Turn of the Screw by Henry James*

We’ve done a bit of reorganizing in our DVD area to make it easier for you to find your favorite new or classic TV series! TV Series in DVD format are now shelved separately, alphabetically by title, after feature films on DVD. Find new TV Series at the beginning of the TV Series section. (Please note that Blu-ray TV Series are shelved in the Blu-ray section, after Blu-ray movies.) In addition to TV Series and English-language DVD and Blu-ray, we also offer a great selection of foreign language films, documentaries, and biographies.

We’ve also done a bit of housecleaning in our audiobook area. Our Playaway audiobooks are now shelved directly adjacent to our CD audiobooks. Find your favorite fiction authors, along with nonfiction and biographies, in both formats. The small, portable Playaways are great for wherever you’re on the go: walking, working out, lounging, or in the car. Batteries included! Find our audiobooks at the end of the DVD area, right before the print mysteries section.

And remember, if the title you want is currently checked out, you can place a hold with our staff or online at find.minlib.net—or, search for video, ebooks or audiobooks on our digital resources, available 24/7: OverDrive, Libby by OverDrive, Hoopla, and Kanopy. Questions? Please contact our Reference staff at 781-455-7559, ext. 502, by email neemail1@minlib.net, or of course, in person!
Summer Reading Bingo for Adults
Runs: June 7th - August 12th

To participate in our 2021 Adult Summer Reading Program (for ages 18 and up) follow these easy steps:

Turn this over and checkout the awesome BINGO sheet!

For every book read, get a raffle ticket,
Complete a row of 5 (any direction), and get an additional raffle chance at the adult reference desk

Keep filling in those rows for up to 5 extra chances to win great prizes all summer long!

Bonus points if you complete the whole board and let us know what you did to fill the squares in!
2021 Adult Summer Reading Program

Summer Reading Bingo

- Book with 'Tail' or 'Tale' in the title
- Listen to an audiobook
- YARRR! Read a pirate book
- Read a biography or memoir
- Read a contemporary Romance
- Read a historical fiction
- Read a book about a cat, dog or bird
- Read a translated book
- Read an eBook
- Book with a supernatural creature
- Watch a documentary on Kanopy
- Read a book of nature poems
- A book with an epic journey
- Re-read a favorite book
- Read a SciFi Book set in space
- Read a retelling of a myth/folk tale
- Attend a library event
- Book by a new-to-you author
- A nonfiction book about animals
- Read a mystery with a female detective
- Read a graphic novel
- Read a book set in Massachusetts
- Read a book over 400 Pages
- Read a book set in an unfamiliar country

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For those wanting to keep track of their titles read

Tails & Tales

Summer Reading Bingo

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**JULY**

**Library Hours**
- Monday: 9 am to 9 pm
- Tuesday to Friday: 9 am to 5:30 pm
- Saturday: 9 am to 5 pm
- Sunday Closed

**Events**

1. **Books and Beasts Ages 2 to 6**
2. **Tales and Tails event**
3. **10 am: Books and Beasts Ages 2 to 6**
4. **10 am: PreSchool Palooza Ages 3 to 5**
5. **10 am: Sing Along with Ed Ages 2 and up**

**Library Closed**
- Independence Day
- 4th of July

**In-Person and Virtual Events**
- Sign up for Summer Reading through July 15th at the Library or online.
- Use QR Code at right to register for craft kits and events.

**Funding**
- Provided by: [Footer Image]
**In Person at the Memorial Park Gazebo**

**Cactushead Puppets Monster Circus**
Monday, July 19, 4:30 pm
Encounter magnificent creatures from the wilds of your imagination in this multisensory show! For ages 2 and up.

**Visit with a Veterinarian**
Wednesday, July 21, 4:30 pm
Learn how to choose and care for the right pet. Meet potential pets. For ages 4 and up.

**Wingmasters Birds of Prey**
Wednesday, July 28, 4:30 pm
Watch and learn about native raptors. See live birds up close!

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**July 2021 Events**

**Virtual Programs on Zoom**

**Buttonwood Zoo Talk**
Join in a virtual visit with animals and the zoo keepers who care for them. Learn fun facts and interesting tales. Meet an Elephant on July 27 at 4 pm

**Little Labcoats Animal Rescue**
Learn about animal shelters, animal hospitals, and ways to help injured animals. Create a plan to tackle an oil spill and save endangered animals. July 26 at 6 pm for grades 3 to 6

**Jungle Jim's Balloon Magic Show**
Storytelling, silly magic, and a giant 6 foot balloon. July 13 at 4:30 pm for ages 4 and up

**Parsley’s Big Adventure**
Author Gordon Halm will read about his brave hen’s struggle to return home. July 20 at 10 am for ages 2 to 6

**Take and Make Craft Kits**

**Science of Sound STEM Kit**
Learn how bats and dogs hear sounds people cannot. Registration opens June 29. Craft pick-up all week of July 12

**Animal Surprise Crafts**
Registration opens July 12 for the July 26 craft pick-up week for ages 5+ while supplies last

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**Oliver’s Animals**
Meet new animals and learn about them with Oliver and his puppet friends. Free short videos available all week.
July 4 meet a Python
July 11 meet a Guinea Pig
July 18 meet a Tortoise

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**Books and Beasts with Roger Williams Zoo**
Meet the star of the tale in these 20-minute virtual storytimes.
July 8 *Verdi* with a boa constrictor
July 15 *A Color of His Own* with a lizard
July 22 *Don’t Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* At 10 am, for ages 2 to 6

**Preschool Palooza**
Join Ms. Elise for stories, song, and movement for ages 3 to 5. Every Wednesday at 10 in July

**Make Music with Stacey Peasley**
July 19 at 10 am for ages 2 and up

**Sing-Along with Ed**
July 9 at 10 am for ages 2 and up

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**Events for August**

- **1**: Create a Critter STEAM Kits
  - Ages 4 and up
- **2**: Summer Reading Program Ends!
  - 4:30 pm
- **3**: All Day Drop-off
  - Zoo Talk Otter
  - Ages 2 and up
- **4**: Staff Sleepover
- **5**: 10 am Music with Stacey Peasley
  - Ages 2 and up
- **6**: 10 am Sing Along with Ed
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- **7**: Tails and Tales
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**Additional Information**

- **Scan QR Code to Register for Children’s Events**
- **Needham Free Public Library**
  - 1139 Highland Avenue
  - 781-455-7559 x204
  - neechild@minlib.net

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**Funding for special events provided by**

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In Person at the Memorial Park Gazebo
Animal Adventures Family Zoo & Rescue Center
August 9 at 4:30 pm
Live and up-close meet chinchilla, hedgehog, alligator and more!

Stuffie Sleepover in the Children's Room
Drop your stuffie off on August 2, between 9 am and 4 pm, so they can enjoy a sleepover at the Library. See pictures of their mischief Tuesday, August 3, when you pick them up to bring them home!

Read to Tucker In-Person at the Library
Build confidence in reading with Tucker the dog Tuesday, August 10 and 24 at 3 pm Individual 20 minute sessions for kindergarten and older

Virtual Zoom Events
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Join in a virtual visit with animals and the zoo keepers who care for them. Learn fun facts and interesting tales.
Meet an Otter on August 3 at 10 am
Meet a Red Panda on August 10 at 10 am

Little Labcoats explore New England Science
Pack your bags for a trip to a faraway place... New England! Learn about different woodland creatures that you might find in your backyard. Discover how your backyard might support an entire ecosystem. Create your own forest of fun creatures and critters.
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Make Music with Stacey Peasley
Sing and dance to popular and original songs
August 4 and 16 at 10 am for ages 2 and up

Sing-Along with Ed
Bring a ukulele, kazoo, or just your clapping hands and make music with Ed the Music Man
August 13 and 19 at 10 am for ages 2 and up

Summer Reading Ends August 9
Complete online or drop off your paper log by Monday, August 9, to be entered in the raffle. Prizes include a Kindle, stuffed animals, and more!

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