

Virtual—LGBTQ+ Author Panel with Emery Lee, Timothy Janovsky, Katee Robert, and Olivia Waite Wed., June 1st 7:00 PM



We are starting Pride Month off right! Join us for a conversation with mega-superstar authors Emery Lee (e/eir), Timothy Janovsky (he/him), Katee Robert (she/her), and Olivia Waite (she/her) as they talk about their books, writing process, and how they connect with the LGBTQ+ community with their words and stories.

Emery Lee is an author and artist whose love for chaotic and morally gray characters started at a young age. After graduating with a degree in creative writing, e's gone on to author novels, short stories, and webcomics across a variety of genres and demographics, though YA fiction has always held a special place in eir heart. Drawing inspiration from Eastern media, pop punk music, and personal life experience, eir work seeks to explore the intersections of life and identity in fun, heartfelt, and inventive ways. In eir downtime, you'll most likely find em marathoning anime or snuggling cute dogs.

Timothy Janovsky is a queer, multidisciplinary storyteller from New Jersey. He holds a Bachelor's degree from Muhlenberg College and a self-appointed certificate in rom-com studies (accreditation pending). When he's not daydreaming about young Hugh Grant, he's telling jokes, playing characters, and writing books. Never Been Kissed is his first novel.

Katee Robert is a New York Times and USA Today bestselling author of contemporary romance and romantic suspense. Entertainment Weekly calls her writing "unspeakably hot." Her books have sold over a million copies. She lives in the Pacific Northwest with her husband, children, a cat who thinks he's a dog, and two Great Danes who think they're lap dogs.

Olivia Waite writes queer historical romance, fantasy, science fiction, and essays. She is the romance fiction columnist for the New York Times Book Review. When the birds are propitious, she sends out the Oliviary: a newsletter full of news, recommended reads, and intriguing content curated from niche corners of the internet. This program is in collaboration with a multitude of MA libraries: Lincoln, Needham, Medway, Peabody, Danvers, Somerville, Dedham, Winchester, Sutton, Beverly, Canton, Weston, Belmont, Lowell, and Tewksbury. This program is available to our Library patrons courtesy of the Friends of the Ashland Public Library, with with thanks to Sourcebooks for helping to put this panel together. *Registration is required to receive the Zoom Link. Register here at: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

City Planner Jeff Speck, "The Future of the Suburbs" Sun., June 12th 2:00 PM



Join city planner and urban designer Jeff Speck for a timely discussion of planning for the suburbs of the future. Suburbs laid out in the late twentieth century, including much of Needham, often prioritize automotive convenience over almost all other considerations, leading to congestion and economic inefficiency. Speck

will discuss how communities built around the needs of the automobile can be redesigned and reimagined to increase safety, sustainability, and sense of place. Speck advocates internationally for more walkable cities and has delivered multiple TED talks on the subject. The Friends of the Needham Library will conduct a brief annual meeting before the program. Books will be available for purchase, courtesy of Wellesley Books.

This event is sponsored by the *Friends of the Needham Public Library* and is currently scheduled to be a live event in the Community Room. *Registration is required, regardless, on Assabet. Register here at: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

Virtual—Local Author Panel: Writing for the LGBTQ+ Community

Thurs., June 30th

7:00 PM



We are ending Pride Month with a bang! Local authors are the backbone of the writing community and those writing within and for the LGBTQ+ community are especially important. Join us for a conversation with Bren Bataclan, Anna Burke, Federico Erebia, Jane C. Esther, and Sarah Jean Horwitz as they discuss their books, their writing, and the impact they have on readers of all ages!

This program is in collaboration with a multitude of MA libraries: Lincoln, Needham, Medway, Peabody, Danvers, Somerville, Dedham, Winchester, Sutton, Beverly, Canton, Weston, Belmont, Wayland, Lowell, and Newton. This program is available to our Library courtesy of the the Friends of the Ashland Public Library. *Registration is required to receive the Zoom Link. Register here at: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

This Month in the Friends' Gallery

Stacey S. Hamilton

Photography
That Melanin Though
(DATMLNNTHO)

Upcoming Book Discussions

NPL Book Group Tuesday, June 14th

Dracula

by Bram Stoker

Dracula is a novel by Bram Stoker, published in 1897. As an epistolary novel, the narrative is related through letters, diary entries, and newspaper articles. It has no single protagonist, but opens with solici-



1:00 PM

tor Jonathan Harker taking a business trip to stay at the castle of a Transylvanian noble, Count Dracula. Harker escapes the castle after discovering that Dracula is a vampire, and the Count moves to England and plagues the seaside town of Whitby. A small group, led by Abraham Van Helsing, hunt Dracula and, in the end, kill him.

Please email neemail 1@minlib.net if you wish to have your email address added to our monthly ZOOM link mailing.
September 13, 2022—We Keep the Dead Close: A Murder at Harvard and a Half Century of Silence by Becky Cooper

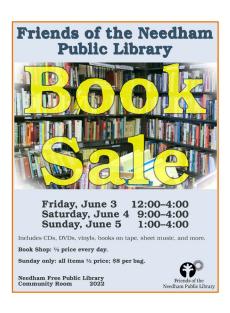
MetroWest Readers Fest 2022





MetroWest Readers Fest is once again hosting a regional community-wide read as part of *MWRF 2022*! The title for 2022 is *Thank You, Mr. Nixon* by Gish Jen. In this collection of 11 linked short stories, acclaimed

author Jen "embarks on a fictional journey through U.S.-China relations, capturing the excitement of a world on the brink of tectonic change." Thank You, Mr. Nixon was named the #1 Recommendation for AAPI Month by Oprah Daily, an Amazon Editor's Pick for Best Literature & Fiction, and was called "marvelous" by Claire Oshetsky in the New York Times. The Needham Free Public Library will be participating in this event, culminating in October with various programs sponsored by the area libraries, as well as hosting a live broadcast via Zoom, with the author in our Community Room on Thursday, October 6, 2022 @ 6:00 PM. More info in next month's Library Notes.



The Bookworm's Evening Book Club* Monday, June 27th

Choose Next Year's Titles

Help choose next year's titles! We will be meeting via ZOOM. Registration is required on

Assabet for this event.

Register here at: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/





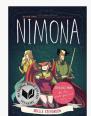
Date: Thursday, June 16, 2022

Time: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Location: Virtually via Zoom

Reading: "Nimona" by Noelle Stevenson

*Last meeting before the summer!



Nimona, a young shapeshifter with a knack for villainy, and Lord Ballister Blackheart, a villain with a vendetta, set out to prove that Sir Ambrosius Goldenloin and his friends are not the heroes everyone thinks they are, but Lord Blackheart soon realizes that Nimona's powers are as murky and mysterious as her past, and her unpredictable wild side might be more dangerous than he is willing to admit.

Copies of this month's titles available for request from Minuteman Libraries as well as digitally from Hoopla!

For more info contact Erin Bassett at ebassett@minlib.ne

Virtual Meeting for Ages 13 +
Register online: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

Artist Reception Stacey S. Hamilton

That Melanin Though (DATMLNNTHO)

Saturday, June 11 @ 2:30 PM



Community Room - Needham Free Public Library Register online at: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

Teen/Tween Programs and Craft Activities for June

Boredom Buster Bags!

A Take and Make Craft Program for Young Adults, Ages 10-18

Pickups: Week of June 6th - 12th

Register online: needhamlibrary.org/events

All materials needed will be included

Take and make at your own pace, on your own time



Registeration Opens May 30th, limited to first 30 people 🛓



Tween + Teen Crafternoons VIRTUAL (AND IN-PERSON) PROGRAMS

IN-PERSON (for Ages 10 - 18):
Weather Dependent: Wednesday, 6/1
2:00 - 3:00

VIRTUAL (FOR AGES 10 - 12): Wednesday, 6/22 - 3:30 - 4:30

REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO GET ZOOM LINK

Register Online for Each Program: https://needhamlibrary.org/events

Contact Erin at neeya@minlib.net with questions!

5th Annual Summer Reading Program for Tweens & Teens!

For ages 12 - 18!

Another Summer, Another Summer Reading Program! Read Books & Win!
Registration for the Reading Program opens 5/2, Track books starting 6/1.
All books must be recorded by 9/2 to count towards a prize!
Track online: https://needhamma.beanstack.org/

Come to YA Events throughout the summer and get more chances to win prizes! (list of programs coming soon!)

Events Run Virtually AND In-Person: June 1st - September 2nd

Sign Up for Take & Makes, Paint Programs, and other fun things

Online: https://needhamlibrary.org/events/

Questions? Ask the Young Adult Librarian Erin at neeya@minlib.net,
call 781-455-7559 x502 and leave a message for Erin
(at the Reference Desk), or come in and see her in person!
Prizes to local businesses given throughout the summer,
Grand Prize Drawing: September 6th 2022!

Details on actual prizes and information on prize pick-up will be given as the summer progresses.

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 - 6:00 pm

Contact the Library at 781-455-7559

For further information about upcoming events, go to https://needhamlibrary.org/events/ or call 781-455-7559.



2022 Adult Summer Movie Festival

Monday, June 13th

7:00 PM

Grease (1978)—PG, 1 hour, 50 minutes

Mamma Mia! The Movie (2008)—PG-13, 1 hour, 49 minutes



Sophie has just one wish to make her wedding perfect: MAMMA to have her father walk her down the aisle. Now she just has to find out who he is. Join the music, laughter and fun of the irresistibly charming Mamma Mia! **The Movie**. Academy Award-winner Meryl Streep leads an all-star cast, including Pierce Brosnan and Colin Firth—as well as up-and-comers Amanda

Seyfried and Dominic Cooper—in this musical celebration of mothers, daughters and fathers, and true loves lost and new ones found. Based on the Broadway smash-hit and filled with the ABBA songs you know and love, it's the feel-good experience that will have you singing and dancing over and over again.

Tuesday, June 28th

7:00 PM

West Side Story (2021)—PG-13, 2 hours, 36 minutes



Manhattan, Upper West Side, 1957. Against the backdrop of the decaying tenements in the San Juan Hill neighbourhood and the constant threat of the wrecking ball, two warring gangs—tough Riff's Jets and swaggering Bernardo's Puerto Rican Sharks fight for supremacy. Now, with a once-and-for-all,

winner-takes-all rumble on the cards, an unexpected whirlwind romance at the high-school dance between former Jet brawler Tony and Bernardo's delicate little sister María sets the stage for an all-out turf war. But what's a gang without its territory? Above all, when the future is uncertain, what's hope without love?

Tuesday, July 5th

7:00 PM

In the Heights (2021)—PG-13, 2 hours, 23 minutes



In the Heights centers on a variety of characters living in the neighborhood of Washington Heights, on the northern tip of Manhattan. At the center of the show is Usnavi, a bodega owner who looks after the aging Cuban lady next door, pines for the gorgeous girl working in the neighboring beauty salon and dreams of winning the lottery and escaping to the shores of his native Dominican Republic. Mean-

while, Nina, a childhood friend of Usnavi's, has returned to the neighborhood from her first year at college with surprising news for her parents, who have spent their life savings on building a better life for their daughter. Ultimately, Usnavi and the residents of the close-knit neighborhood get a dose of what it means to be home.

All movies will be shown in the Community Room and registration is required.

Register online at:

https://needhamlibrary.org/events/



Tuesday, July 19th

During a visit to America, Australian Sandy Olsson meets Danny Zuko at the beach and falls in love. She is heartbroken when summer ends and she has to return home and their last kiss on the beach is a very emotional one. But fate lends a hand - her parents decide to stay in America and she finds herself attending the same school as Danny. But

Danny at school is different from Danny at the beach. He is the leader of the T-Birds, a black leather-clad gang, and has a reputation to keep up. He can't be seen to fall in love with just one chick. Sandy is upset and seeks solace with some new friends she has made—a girls' club called "The Pink Ladies". But her prim and proper virginal ways do not fit in and she soon finds herself almost alone. A change must be made. Does she attempt to get her man by turning him into a jock? Or must she get rid of her "Sandra Dee" image?

Tuesday, August 2nd

7:00 PM

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The Lost City (2022)—PG-13, 1 hour, 52 minutes



Reclusive author Loretta Sage writes about exotic places in her popular adventure novels that feature a handsome cover model named Alan. While on tour promoting her new book with Alan, Loretta gets kidnapped by an eccentric billionaire who hopes she can lead him to an ancient city's lost treasure from her latest story. Determined to prove he can be a hero

in real life and not just on the pages of her books, Alan sets off to rescue

Tuesday, August 16th

7:00 PM

Marry Me (2022)—PG-13, 1 hour, 52 minutes



Kat Valdez is half of the sexiest celebrity power couple on Earth with hot new music supernova Bastian. As Kat and Bastian's inescapable hit single, "Marry Me," climbs the charts, they are about to be wed before an audience of their fans in a ceremony that will be streamed across multiple platforms. Divorced high-school math teacher Charlie Gilbert has been

dragged to the concert by his daughter Lou and his best friend. When Kat learns, seconds before the ceremony that Bastian has cheated on her with her assistant her life turns left as she has a meltdown on stage, questioning love, truth and loyalty. As her gossamer world falls away, she locks eyes with a stranger—a face in the crowd. If what you know lets you down, then perhaps what you don't know is the answer, and so, in a moment of inspired insanity, Kat chooses to marry Charlie. What begins as an impulsive reaction evolves into an unexpected romance. But as forces conspire to separate them, the universal question arises: Can two people from such different worlds bridge the gulf between them and build a place where they both belong?

Needham Free Public Library 1139 Highland Avenue June www.needhamlibrary.org 781-455-7559 x204 neechild@minlib.net **Wednesday Thursday** Friday Saturday 2 3 4 Summer 3 pm 10 am Lego Club Reading Read to Sophie Ages 5+ Ages 5+ Sign up and Start Logging Sunday **Monday Tuesday** 5 6 11 7 8 9 10 10 am 3:15 pm Movie: Make Music The Mitchells 3:00 pm with Read to Tucker vs the Machines **Stacey Peasley** Ages 5+ Netflix, 2021. Ages 2 to 5 PG. 113 min 12 17 13 14 15 16 18 10 am 10 am 10 am ABC Spanish in **Hugh Hanley** 10 am Family Motion **Circle of Songs Monkey Mind** Flashlight **Belly Breath** Ages 2 to 5 music & stories Storytime Children's Yoga Ages 2 to 5 Ages 3+ Ages 2 to 5 3 pm Lego Club Ages 5+ 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 10 am Dance Me 10 am Terrific a Storv 10 am Toddlers **Library Closed** Ages 2+ 3:00 pm Read to Sophie 4 pm Camp Ages 2 & 3 Read to Tucker Ages 5+ Craft with 11 am Movie: Ages 5+ Courtney Juneteenth **Library Closed** 3 pm **Camp Rock** Ages 5+ Lego Club Disney, 2008, Ages 5+ TVG, 96 min Juneteenth 26 27 29 30 28 Children's Events are Generously Sponsored by Summer 10 am Terrific Reading 10 am **Toddlers Kick Off!** 4 pm Mass **Preschool** Ages 2 & 3 Audubon Palooza 4 pm Animal Program Ages 3 to 5 3 pm World Friends of the Ages 5+ Lego Club **Experiences** Needham Public Library Ages 5+ Ages 4+

Read Beyond the Beaten Path



Register for the 2022 Summer Reading Program

Sign-up for an online adventure at www.needhamma.beanstack.org or pick-up a paper reading log in the Children's Room or download the mobile app: 回数深回

Earn prizes for signing up, getting half-way, and completing the path.

Attend in-person shows: animals. comedy, drumming, magic, & more!

Log 16 hours of reading between June 1 and August 15 to be entered into our grand prize raffle!



Thursdays from 3 pm to 5 pm Drop-in, no registration required.

Build creations with the Library's large Legos supply

Only ages 5 and up in the Storytime Room during Lego Club.

Afternoon Movie: The Mitchells vs the Machines

Friday, June 10, 3:15 pm

113 min, Netflix, 2021, PG

Morning Movie: Camp Rock

Friday, June 24, 11 am

96 minutes, Disney, 2008 release, TVG.

Explore Rosemary Pond Trail with Mass Audubon

Explore Rosemary Pond Trail with Mass Audubon! Join a guided nature stroll where you'll learn to identify plants in your local neighborhood, practice birding techniques, and enjoy the outdoors.

Wednesday, June 29, 4 pm

For ages 5 and up.

Family Flashlight Storytime

Bring a flashlight, get some glowsticks and enjoy campfire stories and songs. Drop-in, no registration required. Saturday, June 18 at 10 am, for ages 3 and up.

Read to Tucker

Build confidence in reading with Tucker, a hypoallergenic therapy dog on Tuesday, June 7 & 21.

Individual sessions for young readers.

Read to Sophie

Sophie is a Golden Retriever therapy dog looking forward to hearing stories on Saturday, June 4 & 25.

Individual sessions for young readers.

Animal World Experiences



Start off Summer Reading Activities with one of Needham's favorite shows! Matt is back with wonderful woodland animals.

Learn about different wild animals that live in Massachusetts and meet them up close on Tuesday, June 28, at 4 pm.

Camp Craft with Courtney

Create a paper bag kite on Wednesday, June 22, drop-In at 4 pm or 4:30 pm, ages 5 and up.

ABC Spanish in Motion

Movement, music, and culture in Spanish Wednesday, June 15, 10 am Ages 2 to 5 with limited or no Spanish.



Join Hugh on Thursday, June 16, 10 am For ages 2 and up.

Monkey Mind Belly Breath

Storytime with Yoga

Monday, June 13, 10 am For ages 2 to 5.

Dance Me a Story

Friday, June 24, 10 am Story and dance with Ms. Goldie from the Joanne Langione Dance Center For ages 2 to 5.

Make Music with Stacey Peasley

Sing and Dance with Stacey Thursday, June 9, 10 am Ages 2 to 5.

Terrific Toddlers

Thursdays, June 23 & 30, 10 am Stories with songs & movement. 2 to 3 years old with a caregiver.

Preschool Palooza

Monday, June 27, 10 am An interactive themed storytime with books, music, and movement. For ages 3 through 5.



Spanish In Motion









Sign up for the 2022 **Summer Reading Program** for Tweens and Teens

at

www.needhamma.beanstack.org



Tweens and Teens will log the books they read (their choice) between June 1, 2022 and September 2, 2022. 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 through the outdoors collecting badges as they go. Track books online with Beanstack. Every book read will get you a spin on the prize wheel and an entry toward a grand prize drawing at the end of the summer AND a chance at a bi-monthly drawing throughout the summer!

Bi-monthly drawings will differ each time, some will be for a gift card, others may actually get you the chance to win a set of 2 (or 4) tickets to a RED SOX Game (courtesy of Fidelity Bank in Needham!). So make sure you're logging as you go!

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 or 6 GRAND prizes (3 or 4 \$25 gift cards, a sports package, 1 larger camping themed prize!) drawn at the conclusion of the End of the Summer Party!



Friends of the Needham Public Library

2022 Summer Reading Programs

Ages and location indicated for each program

Register for all events at https://needhamlibrary.org/events/





Weekly Programs:

Every other Wed., June, July, and August - Tween Craft and Chat continues! Register for each week's program online (ages 10 - 12 Online, and 10 - 18 In-Person) mix of In-Person and Virtual Zoom meetings (Weather dependent)

Special Programs and Take and Make Kits:

Mon., June 6 - Sat., June 11 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week Boredom Buster Bag - Kit full of all kinds of things to keep you from getting bored In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18.

Mon., June 27 - Sat., July 2 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week DIY Wind Sock! Colorful patriotic themed wind-enhanced fun! In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 and UP!

Wed., July 20 - 2:00 - 4:00 pm - Make Your Own Ice Cream at the Library!

Make your own ice cream in a bag and learn a little bit about the science behind it!

In-Person, masks preferred for all folks, Ages 10 - 18.

Mon., July 25 - Sat., July 30 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week Sand Art! - Kit full of all kinds of brightly colored sandy fun In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18.

Mon., August 15 - Sat., August 20 - Take and Make Craft Kit Pickup Week Outdoors-person Kit! - Outdoors-man, Outdoors-woman ... here's a kit for the Outdoors-person! Nature guides, and even supplies to make your own compass! In-Person, pickup near Reference Desk on 2nd Floor, Ages 10 - 18.

Fri., August 26 - 2:30 - 4:30 pm - Painting with Chelsea!

Painting with Chelsea returns In-Person (!) as we paint another creature together!

All materials will be supplied the day of, acrylic paint = wear old clothes

In-Person, masks preferred for all folks, Ages 10 - 18.

Grand Prize Drawings for Summer Reading: Fri., September 9
*Appouncement about where and when will

Announcement about where and when will be sent by e-mail to all registered and entered participants





SUMMER READING BINGO FOR ADULTS

JUNE 1- SEPTEMBER 5

<u>To participate in our 2022 Adult Summer Reading Program (for ages 18+)</u> <u>follow these easy steps:</u>

- 1. Sign up online at needhamma.beanstack.org
- 2. Come to the Reference Desk for a coupon for a **FREE** book from the Friends Bookshop!
- 3. Check out our awesome bingo sheet on the opposite side of this paper.
- 4. Follow the prompts in the bingo squares. For every book read and logged in Beanstack-get a raffle ticket. Complete a row of 5 (any direction), and get an additional raffle ticket!
- 5. Keep filling in those rows for up to 5 extra chances to win great prizes all summer long!
- 6. Bonus points if you complete the whole board!

Prizes-

Every 2 weeks a \$25 gift card to a local business will be awarded! Grand Prize- a \$100 gift card to a local business!

- Tip 1 : Enter each book you read online in Beanstack as you go throughout the summer! Raffles will be drawn every 2 weeks to those who submitted books in the previous 2 weeks!
- Tip 2: When you've completed a row- bring in your completed bingo board to the Reference Desk to receive your extra raffle entry!

Looking for fun activities to do this Summer?
Find Adult Summer Reading Events at needhamlibrary.org/events!





ADULT SUMMER READING BINGO

Listen to an audiobook

Attend a library program

Watch a film on Kanopy

Read a biography or memoir

Read a book about books

Read a graphic novel

Read a Young Adult book

Read a 2022 book Read a book recommended by a librarian Read a book of short stories

Read an ebook from Libby or Hoopla

Read a book published prior to 2000

BONUS

Read a book that's over 400 pages Watch an episode of a TV show on Hoopla

Read a book found using Novelist

Read a Children's Book

Read a fantasy book

Watch a movie that's based on a book Read a historical fiction book

Read a book that's under 200 pages Read an award winning book

Read a non-fiction book

Re-read a favorite book

Read a mystery book

SUMMER READING BINGO FOR ADULTS



JUNE 1- SEPTEMBER 5





Name:
Listen to an Audiobook:
Attend a Library Program:
Watch a Film on Kanopy:
Read a biography or memoir:
Read a book about books:
Read a Graphic Novel:
Read a Young Adult book:
Read a 2022 book:
Read a book recommended by a librarian:
Read a book of short stories:
Read an ebook:
Read a book published prior to 2000:
Read a book that's over 400 pages:
Watch an episode of a TV show on Hoopla:
Read a book found using Novelist:
Read a Children's Book:
Read a Fantasy book:
Watch a movie based on a book:
Read a historical fiction book:
Read a book that's under 200 pages:
Read an award winning book:
Read a non-fiction book:
Re-read a favorite book:
Read a mystery book: