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Flower Memorial Library Newsletter

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The library's Rotunda, featuring the original bronze statue of Governor Roswell P. Flower, which is now displayed in our 1812 Room. Photo from the original library dedication brochure, circa November 1904.

SEPTEMBER IS NATIONAL LIBRARY CARD Sign-Up Month!

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month, the perfect time to discover everything your library has to offer! A library card gives you access to books, eBooks, audiobooks, movies, online resources, and so much more all for free. Whether you're getting your very first card or haven't used yours in a while, stop by the library this month to sign up or renew your card to unlock a world of possibilities. Your next adventure starts with a library card!

Early Literacy Information & Events

Toddler Story Time & Crafts

Designed for ages 3-5, but all are welcome
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10:30am
Every Wednesday except 9/9

Join us every Wednesday at 10:30am for Toddler Story Time & Crafts! We'll read fun stories, dance, sing, and wiggle around. Then, we'll end our story time with a craft relating to the books we read. Each week we do a different theme, so every story time is its own unique experience.

Baby Story Time

Designed for ages 0-2, but all are welcome
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10:30am
Every Thursday except 9/10

Join us every Thursday at 10:30am for some fun stories, nursery rhymes, and wiggles! Then, at the end of our story time, little ones are encouraged to explore our play room and craft area to play and interact with other littles. We'll have toys, Play-Doh, and coloring sheets available to play with. Each story time has a different theme so every week will be its own unique experience!

Toddler Painting



For ages 0-5
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 10:30am
Friday September 25

Join us in the Children's Room for some fun process painting! This month's process painting involves using paper plates and sponges to create bright red apples.

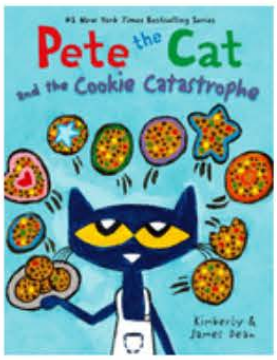
Music and Movement

For ages 0-5
Facilitated by: Jamie (with guest Sarah Wolfe)
Children's Room at 10:30am
Monday September 28

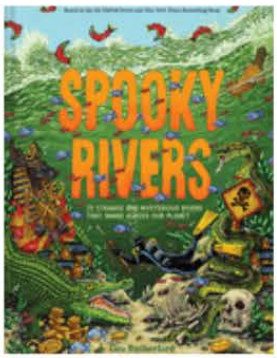
Does your child like to sing, dance, or just wiggle around? If so, come join guest Sarah Wolfe for a fun music and movement program! Music and Movement is a joyful and interactive music program that encourages little ones to get their bodies moving, their voices singing, and to make some beautiful noise. The session includes a sing-along with Sarah playing the ukulele.

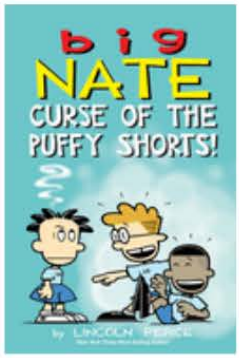


New in Our Children's Room









Events for Kids, Tweens, and Teens

Note: If you are 18-years-old and still attend high school, you may attend teen events.

Teen Take & Make Kits



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space at 9am
Tuesday September 1

Get creative with our monthly teen craft kits! Each kit includes supplies and instructions for a fun project you can make at home. This month: Back 2 School Survival Kit.

Note: Limit of 1 kit per person, max of 2 if picking up for a friend. Available in the Teen Space while supplies last!

Kids & Tween Art Club



For ages 6-12
Facilitated by: Suzie
(with guest Shalaina Thompson)
Children's Room at 4pm
Friday September 4

Get messy and explore the world of art! Projects will be announced at the start of each event.

Teen Open Gaming



For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space at 4pm
Every Friday except 9/11

Stop by on Fridays for videogames, board games, and a snack!

Note: Limited to 12 participants. First come, first served.

Q: What's a ghost's favorite part of the library?

Jump to page 4 for the answer!



Kids & Tween Take & Make Craft Kit



For ages 3-12
Presented by: Jamie
Circulation Desk at 9am
Saturday September 12

On one Saturday of each month, grab a craft kit to make with your little ones!
This month: Glitter Mosaic Crown

Note: Limit of 1 kit per child on a first come, first served basis. No reservation option.

Tween Gaming



For ages 8-12
Presented by: Ashley M.
Community Room at 6pm
Monday September 14

Join us for a snack, games (Nintendo Switch, Wii, PC, and board games), and a good time! Betcha can't beat us at Mario Kart!

Note: Limited to 12 participants on a first come, first served basis. No reservations can be made.

Cookies & Canvases

For ages 6-12
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room
Saturday September 19

Spend a relaxing morning painting your own masterpiece while enjoying a delicious assortment of cookies. We'll provide the canvases, paint, and cookies.





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Design Your Own Trick-or-Treat Bags

For ages 0-17
Presented by: Jamie
Children's Room at 6pm
Tuesday September 22



In preparation for our upcoming Halloween Party, bring your little ones to the library to design their very own canvas trick-or-treat bag! Bags and art supplies will be provided. Limit of 75 participants. Children and/or teens must be present in order to receive a bag.

Note: Participants will be determined on a first come first served basis if needed. No reservations can be made. No take and make option available.

Book Display Brigade

For ages 12-17
Presented by: Ashley M.
Teen Space at 4pm
Thursday September 24



Channel your inner designer and help make a book display for the Teen Space. Participants gain volunteer time for attendance.

Cozy for a Cause

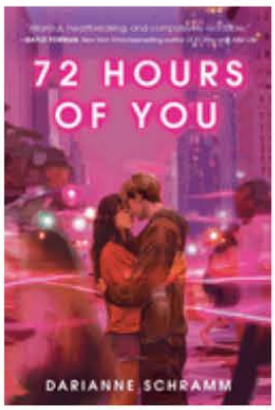
For ages 8-17
Presented by: Suzie, Jamie, & Ashley M.
Community Room at 5:30pm
Tuesday September 29

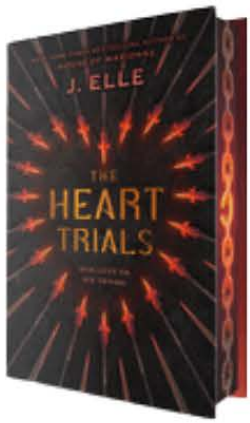
We need youth volunteers to help us make blankets for animals at the SPCA! Participants will work together to make cozy, comforting blankets that will help shelter pets feel safe and loved while they wait for their forever homes. No sewing experience is needed. Just bring your creativity and kindness! All materials will be provided.

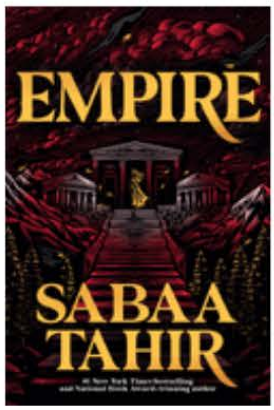
Note: Participants will receive 1.5 volunteer service hours for attending. Staff will be available to sign any volunteer service forms.



New in Our Teen Space

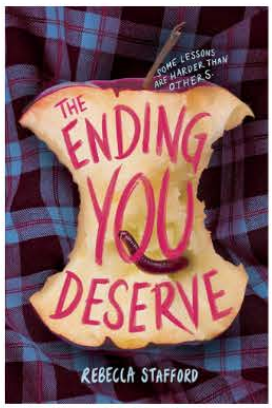












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Jump back to page 3 for the question!



Information & Events for Both Youth & Adults

The library will be closed Saturday, September 5 through Monday, September 7 for Labor Day weekend. We reopen Tuesday, September 8 at 9am.

Library Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie
Room TBD at 4pm
Tuesday September 8

The Board of Trustees monthly meeting is held the second Tuesday of each month. Meeting documents are listed on the library's website.

Film and Discussion: 9/11 Anniversary Digital Learning Experience



For ages 13+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
South Reading Room at 4:30pm
Friday September 11

Come view a film created by the 9/11 Memorial & Museum to commemorate the 25th anniversary of 9/11. The film highlights first-person accounts of the attacks and their aftermath; speakers include:

- Richard Eichen, who worked on the 90th floor of the North Tower and helped Lucy Gonzalez evacuate just minutes before the collapse of the building despite a severe head injury
- Terri Tobin, who responded to 9/11 as an NYPD lieutenant and retired in 2024 as Chief of Interagency Operations
- James and Patrick Dowdell, who lost their father, FDNY Lieutenant Kevin Dowdell, to the collapse of the South Tower and honor his legacy through fire and military service
- Caitlyn McIntyre and Olivia Perez-Johntry, both children of PAPD Officers Donald McIntyre and Anthony Perez who were victims of 9/11

LEGO Club

For all ages and abilities
Facilitated by: Suzie (with guest Jack Falge)
South Reading Room at 4pm
Thursday September 17



Come build with us! Themed builds will be announced at each event.

DIY Hobbit Door Ornament



For ages 12+
Presented by: Ashley M.
Community Room at 5:30pm
Monday September 21

Happy National Hobbit Day! Join us Monday, September 21st, as we step into the Shire and create your very own Hobbit Door Ornament! Whether you're a longtime Lord of the Rings fan or simply enjoy a relaxing evening of crafting, you'll have fun making this charming keepsake.

No crafting experience is necessary. All materials will be provided.

Note: Limited to the first 20 participants on a first come, first served basis.

There will be no library programs from September 7-12 as we take a program break with the exception of the 9/11 Anniversary Digital Learning Experience program. This break does include our weekly Story Times & Open Gaming.



Events for Adults

Adult Book Clubs

Original Library Book Club
For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Olivia
South Reading Room at 6:30pm
Monday September 14

Join us this month as we discuss the book Moonflower Murders by Anthony Horowitz. Copies of the book are available for check out on a first come, first served basis at the Circulation Desk.

VIRTUAL Between the Covers: Romance Book Club
For ages 18+
Facilitated by: Ashley P.
Online via Zoom at 6:30pm
Wednesday September 16

Join us on Zoom to chat about all things books and romance! At this meeting, we'll discuss Chase Me If You Can by Heather Frances.

Spice Club Kits: Ginger


For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
Main Floor at 9am
Tuesday September 1

Explore the world of flavor. The packet will include a spice sample, recipe cards, history of the spice, and a list of cookbooks you can check out from the library.

If you miss the kits, you can still get a peek at the recipes by visiting the homepage of our website!

Melt and Pour Soap


For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
Community Room at 4pm
Thursday September 3

Join us to make your own melt and pour soap. We will have a variety of molds, scents, and colors for you to make your own unique bar of soap.

Note: Limit 15 participants. No registration. In-person only. First come first served.

Adult Take and Make Craft Kit


For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
Circulation Desk at 10am
Friday September 4

On the first Saturday of each month, grab a craft kit to make at home. Pick up at the Circulation Desk. This month's craft: Felt Leaf Keychain. September's kit will be available on Friday September 4th due to the weekend holiday.

Note: Limit 1 kit per person, max of 2 if picking up for a friend! Available while supplies last.

Tea Club Kit


For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
Circulation Desk at 10am
Friday September 4

On the 1st Saturday of each month, grab a take home kit. Pick up at the Circulation Desk. Each kit will include two tea bags, two honey sticks, and brewing suggestions. This month's kit will include Stash Apple Maple Cider and Cranberry Pomegranate teas. September's kit will be available on Friday September 4th due to the weekend holiday.

Anything Goes Reading Club



For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
South Reading Room at 4pm
Tuesday September 15

Discover a space where stories and ideas come together. Welcoming curious readers to share in a relaxed environment. Join us in the historic South Reading Room to read in a beautiful space with ambiance music and light refreshments.

Participants will get to explore different genres, share thoughts, meet other readers, and even try a new title based on recommendations from your library staff!

Blend Your Own Herbal Tea



For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
Community Room at 5pm
Friday September 18

Join us to make your own herbal tea blend. A variety of herbs and spices will be available to participants to mix together to create your own unique blend.

Note: Limited to 20 participants on a first come, first served basis.

Make Your Own Rhinestone Book Cover

For ages 18+
Presented by: Olivia
Community Room at 6pm
Wednesday September 23



Join us to make a one of a kind bedazzled book cover. Bring a copy of your favorite book or pick from one of the provided titles (library provided options will be random titles).

Note: Limited to 15 participants on a first come, first served basis.

Boo-k Bingo



For ages 18+
Presented by: Ashley P.
South Reading Room at 10am
Saturday September 26

Get ready for a frightfully fun time at your library! Join us for a spooky-themed morning of bingo, an adults-only event filled with friendly competition and plenty of chances to win. It's free to play, and lucky winners will take home donated mystery and horror books – perfect for adding a little suspense to your reading list. Costumes and creepy good luck charms are welcome, but not required!

Bring a friend, test your luck, and see what spooky prizes await!

Senior Planet: Meal Kit Services



For ages 55+
Presented by: Ashley P.
South Reading Room at 6pm
Wednesday September 30

"So, what's for dinner?" Some people use subscription-based meal kit services to answer that question for them. It's as simple as using a website or app to select meals on a weekly basis that get delivered fresh to your door! In this presentation, we'll introduce you to some of the most popular meal kit services and their features. We'll discuss the pros and cons so that you can decide if they're for you.

Annual Book Sale

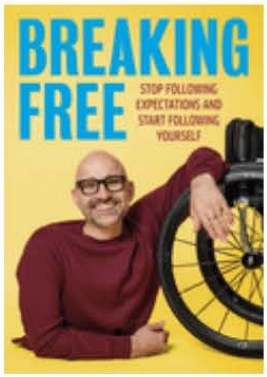
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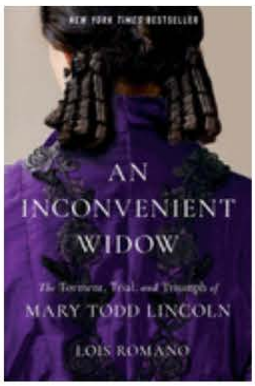
- during regular library hours -
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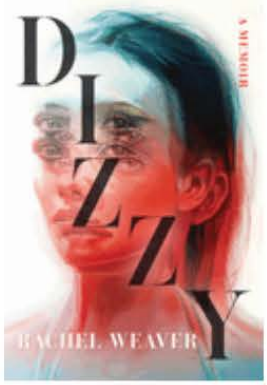
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New in Adult Non-Fiction

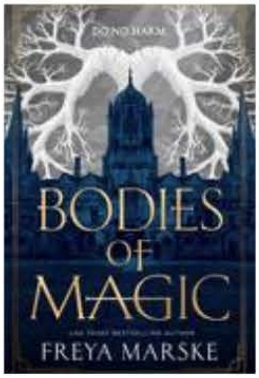


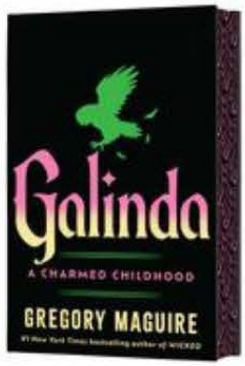


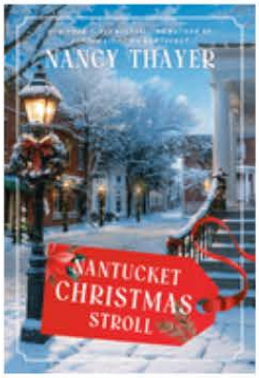


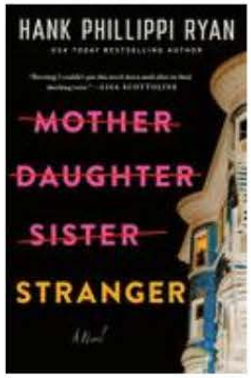


New in Adult Fiction





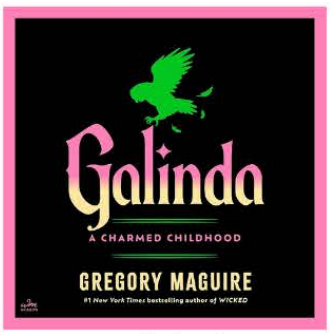




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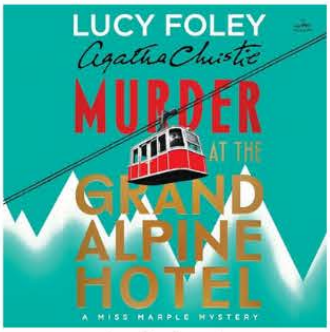
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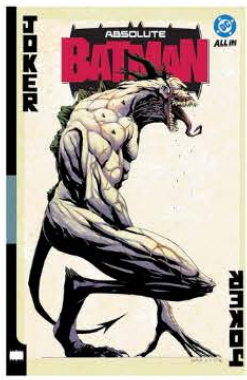


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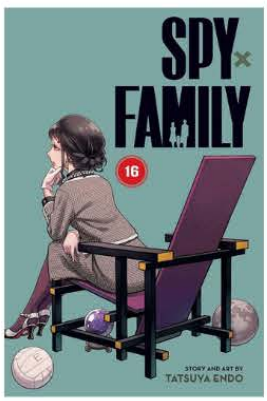


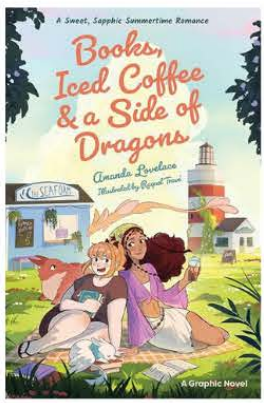
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New in Adult Graphic Novels









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