We are now open on an appointment only basis for browsing. Appointments will be for 30 minutes in adult and 20 minutes in Youth Services.

You must call ahead for an appointment.

Masks must be worn for the safety of staff and patrons.

Public computers will not be available.

To make an appointment please call 781-395-7950. The direct line for Youth Services is 781-475-5734. For more information and safety guidelines please visit http://www.medfordlibrary.org/sites/default/files/Re-opening%20appointment%20procedures.pdf

No contact holds are still encouraged.

No appointment necessary. Put an item on hold and we will check it out to you and leave it in a bag in the hallway with your name on it, to be picked up any time the building is open.

Library Open for Browsing Appointments!

Check out the FMPL Digital Booksale!

For grab bags, puzzles, DVD’s, games, and books for adults and children for sale by the Friends of the Medford Public Library, please check out the Virtual Book Sale on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/FMPLSale/

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Our socially distanced tile painting events were a success! Over 140 tiles are being created to be displayed at the first art exhibition of the new library. There is still time to paint from home. Make sure you are a part! Order your kit today:

https://bit.ly/3SNkXPx

The MPLF is looking for volunteers! If you would like to give the gift of your time this holiday season, please contact Joey at josephleroux@htsargent.com

NEWS FROM THE FOUNDATION

Our Tile Painting Efforts are in Full Swing!
November 1st is Author's Day
Check out some of your favorite author's titles and other authors' works that may be new to you.

TANA FRENCH
The Searcher
A NOVEL

UNTAMED
GLENN DOYLE

MIRACLE CREEK
ANGIE KIM

JOHN GRISHAM
A TIME FOR MERCY

GIRL, WOMAN, OTHER
BERNARDINE EVARISTO

FREDRIK BACKMAN
ANXIOUS PEOPLE

VIRTUAL LESSONS WITH
DANCE CALIENTE
Dance away your cares as Dance Caliente presents fun and lively lessons for dancers of all ages and levels to enjoy from home.
Lessons are geared for students with no partners, but partners are also welcomed!
Visit Dance Caliente's Facebook for a sample of West Coast Swing!
https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=3241695949283538
TUESDAYS, 7:00 P.M. TO 8:30 P.M.
August 11: West Coast Swing
September 22: Waltz
October 20: Argentine Tango
November 10: Salsa

Please register through the online calendar or by calling 781-395-7950. You will need to provide an e-mail address to receive the Zoom link.
This program is supported in part by a grant from the Medford Arts Council, a local commission that is supported by the Mass Cultural Council and the City of Medford. Learn more at www.medfordarts council.org
ENDGAME: THE END OF WORLD WAR II
A Zoom presentation by Dr. Joseph McCarthy, Professor Emeritus, Suffolk University
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11 AT 7:00 P.M.
Endgame is an account of the last days of World War II on all fronts from the Allied thrust into Germany to the Russian attack on Berlin, to the Okinawa campaign, and the decision to drop the atomic bomb.
The talk will be followed by Q & A with Dr. McCarthy.

This program is presented by the Friends of the Medford Public Library and the Medford Historical Society and Museum.

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH THE LIBRARY CALENDAR.

MUSEUM PASSES
As many museums begin to re-open, we are once again offering museum passes.

A MODERN LITERARY SALON IN MEDFORD
A Zoom Panel Presentation
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19 AT 7:00 P.M
(RESCHEDULED)
This interactive salon features diverse readings from four local authors, from the New England Indie Authors Collective (neiac.org) spanning fiction, memoir, and theater/storytelling.
The entertainment portion will be followed by a discussion of the creative writing process as well as a Q&A session.

About The Panelists: The New England Indie Authors Collective (neiac.org) is a group of local writers and playwrights whose work has been published by independent presses.

Jenny Pivor is both an artist and a writer. She is the author of two novels, “OMG” and “The Closing,” as well as the non-fiction picture book, “Boston Dogs.”

Jason M. Rubin has been a professional writer since 1985. His first novel, “The Grave and the Gay,” was published in 2012.

Randy Ross is a novelist, humorist, and performer. His dark romantic comedy “God Bless Cambodia” was published in 2017.

Judah Leblang is the author of two memoirs and is a Medford resident. His new book, published in fall 2019 is “Echoes of Jerry.”

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH THE LIBRARY CALENDAR.
You must register on the library calendar to receive the Zoom invitation. Please contact the Information Desk if you need assistance with registration.

**Books will be available approximately four weeks in advance.**

Call the Library at 781-395-7950 to have a copy checked out to you for no-contact pickup.

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**MEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**LGBTQ+ BOOK GROUP**

All are welcome to read and discuss literary and non-fiction works by and about the LGBTQ+ community; from classics to contemporary titles.

The Charlotte and William Bloomberg Medford Public Library LGBTQ+ Book Group will run October 2020 through and including May 2021.

**SECOND THURSDAYS AT 7:00 P.M.**

- **October 8**
  - When Brooklyn was Queer
  - by Hugh Ryan
- **November 12**
  - Under the Udala Trees
  - by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- **December 10**
  - Her Body and Other Parties: stories
  - by Carmen Maria Machado

- **February 11**
  - Giovanni’s Room
  - by James Baldwin
- **March 11**
  - Mostly Dead Things
  - by Kristen Arnett
- **April 8**
  - On Earth We’re Briefly Gorgeous
  - by Ocean Vuong
- **May 13**
  - Boy Erased: a memoir of identity, faith and family by Garrard Conley

We’ll discuss the books remotely via Zoom so please email Judy at jnuelman@minlib.net for the Zoom meeting address and password.

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**TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP**

Second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m

- **OCTOBER 13**
  - The Monk of Mokha
  - by Dave Eggers

- **NOVEMBER 10**
  - Notorious RBG by Irin Carmon

- **DECEMBER 8**
  - Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi

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**History Book Group**

Co-sponsored by the MPL and the Medford Historical Society and Museum.

Register through the library calendar.

- **Wednesday, October 21, at 7:00 PM**
  - Discussion Led by Kyna Hamill
  - Book of Ages: The Life and Opinions of Jane Franklin by Jill Lepore

- **Wednesday, November 18, at 7:00 PM**
  - Discussion led by Barbara Kerr
  - Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI by David Grann
TEEN NEWS

SHELF CARE BOOK CLUB
For teens in grades 6-9

Next meeting: Wednesday, November 4 at 4:30pm

It’s a different kind of book club - there are no assigned books! Practice shelf care and read books that YOU choose. Then talk about them at the meetings with other teens who love reading!

Sign up is required for the Zoom link! Questions? Contact Nicole: nperrault@minlib.net

TEEN GRAPHIC NOVEL BOOK CLUB
Thursday, Nov. 5 3:30 pm
Drawing the Vote by Tommy Jenkins
Available as a free Hoopla download!

Sign up is required to access the Zoom link

VIRTUAL TEEN crafTernoon
3:30 PM
MONDAY, NOV. 9: SHADING AND 3-D OBJECTS

Expand your drawing skills! All you need is paper and something to draw with (pen, pencil, marker, etc), and you’ll be ready to follow along!

SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR ZOOM LINK

DON’T FORGET: FOLLOW THE TEEN SECTION ON INSTAGRAM FOR MORE INFO ON OUR UPCOMING EVENTS FOR TEENS!

@MPLTEENSECTION

LGBTQIAP+ YOUTH AND ALLIES IN GRADES 6-9!

COME CHAT, CONNECT, WORK ON FUN PROJECTS, AND PLAY GAMES IN A SAFE, OPEN, AND WELCOMING (VIRTUAL) SPACE.

THIS WILL BE HELD ONLINE AS A ZOOM MEETING
SIGN UP ON THE LIBRARY’S EVENT CALENDAR TO GET THE LINK
If you have any questions about signing up for programs or no-contact pickups, please contact Nicole: nperrault@minlib.net
CHILDRENS' NEWS

KIDS CRAFTERNOONS
FRIDAYS 3:30PM

Sept. 11 - Perspective Drawing
Oct. 9 - Egg Carton Bugs
Nov. 13 - Sharpie Tie Dye

Crafternoons meet online but we will provide the supplies needed for the Oct. and Nov. programs.
Email ssednek@minlib.net for the Zoom Meeting link and to register for supplies.

MORNING WITH MATT HEATON

Thursdays at 10:00AM
Sept. 10, Oct. 8, & Nov. 12

Singalong is a free virtual program hosted on the library's Facebook page.

We're doing digital story time!

Family story times (for ages 3-6)
WEDNESDAYS 3PM

Toddler story times (for ages 2-3)
THURSDAYS 10AM

Zoom links are posted weekly on our Facebook page or you can email ssednek@minlib.net for the link!