



# CHARLOTTE & WILLIAM BLOOMBERG MEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Newsletter: Week of November 1, 2021



## Current Library Hours

We are open regular hours!

9 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday to Thursday

9 a.m.-6 p.m. on Friday

9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturdays in June

9 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturdays in July and August

**In the library spaces masks are required.**

**Please observe social distance.**

**We are still in our temporary  
location at 200 Boston Ave.**

## No contact holds are still available

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.

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## Moving News

The Library be open regular hours through Saturday December 4. Starting December 6 the Library will be closed as we move back to High St. We expect to reopen regular hours at High St. on January 3.

**Holds and Returns:** Holds will be available for hallway pickup until 5:00 p.m. on Saturday December 4. The book drop will be available for returns over the weekend of December 4 & 5 but it will be removed early in the morning on Monday December 6. Please return items by December 5 or hold them until we reopen in January. No fines will be charged in December and January. All items checked out after November 15 will be due January 17 so please hold items until January.

Book drops will not be open at High St. in December.

**Amnesty Month:** January will be an amnesty month: We will not be charging fines for overdue items in January. If you have overdue items you were not able to return because of our move and the Covid situation, please return them in January. We will resume charging fines starting February 1.

**Disclaimer:** As you know, our move has been delayed by steel shortages which have affected shelving deliveries. When we reopen in January we will not have all our shelves, and more shelving will be delivered in January and probably still more in February. For the safety of all, we may have to close portions of the library as shelving is being installed. We will post this information as soon as we know it. Please check our website and facebook page for updates.

# History Book Group

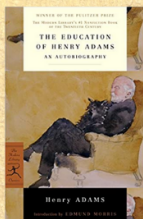
Co-sponsored by the MPL and the Medford Historical Society and Museum. All meetings will be held on ZOOM.

Register at <https://www.medfordhistorical.org/events/>



Wednesday, October 20, at 7:00 PM

**The Collector of Lives: Giorgio Vasari and the Invention of Art** by Ingrid Rowland and Noah Charney



Wednesday, November 17, at 7:00 PM

**The Education of Henry Adams** by Henry Adams



## TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK GROUP

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

DECEMBER 14

*The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek*  
by Kim Michele Richardson



JANUARY 11

*Britt-Marie Was Here*  
by Fredrick Backman



FEBRUARY 8

*Red at the Bone*  
by Jacqueline Woodson

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.

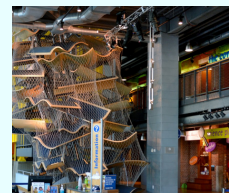
# BOOK GROUPS AND EVENTS

All Events take place on Zoom.  
Register on our [Events Calendar](#).

Books are available both digitally and at the Library. Call the Library at (781) 395-7950 to have a copy checked out to you for no-contact pickup.

## Museum Passes

Online Museum Pass reservations are back!  
You can book a pass [here](#).



Please call the Library before coming to pick up your pass—there is a possibility it might just be a code we can read you over the phone!  
If you have any questions, give us a call at 781-395-7950.

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## 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 group will meet the second Thursday of the month on Zoom, unless otherwise noted.

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.

January 13

*The Price of Salt* by Patricia Highsmith  
*Devils, Lusts, and Strange Desires: the Life of Patricia Highsmith* by Richard Bradford

February 10

*The Prophets* by Robert Jones, Jr.

March 10

*The Subtweet* by Vivek Shraya

April 7

(note: this is the first Thursday!)  
*Shadow Life* by Hiromi Goto and An Xu

May 12

*Ordinary Girls* by Jaquira Díaz

June 9

*Detransition, Baby* by Torrey Peters



WEDNESDAYS  
AT 7:00 P.M. ON  
**DECEMBER 29**  
**JANUARY 26**  
**FEBRUARY 23**

On Zoom

## WRITER'S WORKSHOP

THE GROUP IS ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS SO JOIN THE GROUP TO MEET YOUR COMMUNITY'S FELLOW SCRIBBLERS AND GET FEEDBACK ON YOUR WORK.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE GROUP, PLEASE CONTACT DAVID CHIA AT [DUUCHIA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:DUUCHIA@GMAIL.COM).



# TEEN NEWS

FOR TEENS IN GRADES 6 + UP

## THE DRAWING ZOOM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4  
3:30 PM  
INKING & COLORING

Learn to draw manga! All you need is paper and something to draw with (pen, pencil, marker, etc), and you can follow along!

[SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR ZOOM LINK](#)

## TEEN GAME NIGHT

TAKE A BREAK AND PLAY VIRTUAL GAMES WITH OTHER MEDFORD TEENS

THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 18, 7-8:30PM


[SIGN UP REQUIRED FOR THE ZOOM LINK!](#)

QUESTIONS? CONTACT NICOLE: [NPERRAULT@MINLIB.NET](mailto:NPERRAULT@MINLIB.NET)

## [Sign up to join our Teen Discord Channel!](#)

The teens on our Teen Advisory Board set up a Discord channel for Medford teens! Connect with other teens, organize game nights, swap book recs and more! You must be between the ages of 13-18 in order to apply.

tinyurl.com/MPLPJEScapeRoom



**Percy Jackson Escape Room**

Created by the Teen Advisory Board

Complete the quests to fulfill the prophecy

Make it to the end to earn extra raffle tickets for our Teen Reading Challenge!

[PLAY NOW](#)

tinyurl.com/EscapeYA



**Escape the YA Clichés!**


A virtual Escape Room created by the Teen Advisory Board

Complete the puzzles to wake up from a cliché filled nightmare!

Make it to the end to earn extra raffle tickets for our Teen Reading Challenge!

[PLAY NOW](#)

tinyurl.com/MPLmurdermystery



**Murder Mystery Escape Room**

Created by the Teen Advisory Board

Make it to the end to earn extra raffle tickets for our Teen Reading Challenge!

[PLAY NOW](#)



FOLLOW THE TEEN SECTION  
ON INSTAGRAM FOR MORE  
INFO ON OUR UPCOMING  
EVENTS FOR TEENS!

@MPLTEENSECTION

If you have any questions about signing up for programs or no-contact pickups, please contact Nicole: [nperrault@minlib.net](mailto:nperrault@minlib.net)

# CHILDRENS' NEWS

All programs in December 2021 will be virtual.  
Email [ssednek@minlib.net](mailto:ssednek@minlib.net) for the Zoom Link.

TUESDAY, DEC. 14  
3:30PM

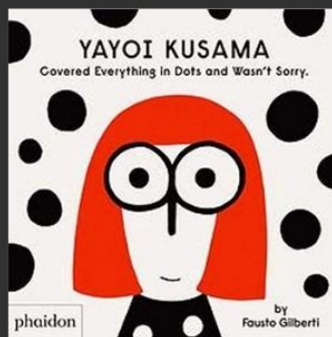


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## 1ST GRADE BOOK CLUB

This program will be held on Zoom.  
Email [tsiegele@minlib.net](mailto:tsiegele@minlib.net) to get the link!

MONDAY, DEC. 6  
3:30PM

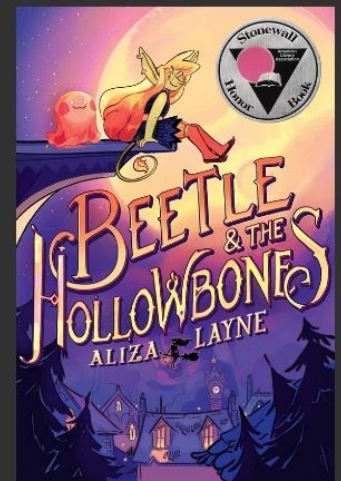


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## 2ND/3RD GRADE BOOK CLUB

This program will be held on Zoom.  
Email [ssednek@minlib.net](mailto:ssednek@minlib.net) to get the link!

TUESDAY, DEC. 7  
3:30PM



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## 4TH/5TH GRADE BOOK CLUB

This program will be held on Zoom.  
Email [mranieri@minlib.net](mailto:mranieri@minlib.net) to get the link!

MORNINGS WITH

MATT  
HEATON

Thursday Dec 9  
10:30AM

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

See ya later  
Alligator



Apologies for the light program calendar  
but we will be taking a programming pause while we  
prepare to move back to 111 High Street.