Library News



MPL Receives Archival Grant

The Library has been awarded a strategic assessment grant for the Local History collections. This grant is part of the Massachusetts State Archives "Roving Archivist" Program. An archivist will be on site early in 2024 to assess the collections and provide recommendations.

Jingle Bell Festival

The MPL will be a stop on the 2023 Jingle Bell Festival House Tour! Come by and see our seasonal decorations.

For more information, including where to get tickets, visit: https://www.jinglebellfestival.org/events/event2.htm



We've Got Good Friends

When you see these logos in the newsletter, it means that the event or activity had been funded by the Friends of the Medford Public Library and the Medford Public Library Foundation.



Medford Public Library

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www.medfordlibrary.org
Library Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Staff and Trustee News

Please welcome Peter Lucey as the Library's new Tech Librarian. Peter has been with us on the Reference and Information desks since 2022. We are delighted to welcome him full time!

Please welcome David Chia as the new Chair of the Library trustees. David is a great library supporter and has been hosting a monthly writer's group for years. We look forward to his leadership.

And our deepest thanks to Ellen Tonello who has stepped down as Trustee Chair after decades of service. Happily, she will remain on the Board. We appreciate her more than we can say.

The Library will open late at 1:00 p.m. on Friday February 2 due to staff training.

Holiday Closings

The Library will be closed

Monday, December 25th
for Christmas Day
Monday, January 1st
for New Year's Day
Monday, January 15th
for Martin Luther King Jr Day
Monday, February 19th
for Washington's Birthday

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Library News

Did you know?

Your library card gives you access to language learning through the Mango App, lifelong learning through Ancestry Library Edition, LearningExpress Library, and Universal Class, eBooks and Audiobooks through hoopla and Libby, Streaming video through kanopy, and cutting-edge scholarly, peer-reviewed journal articles on just about any subject through Gale, Britannica, and Credo Reference.

Stop by our Reference Desk!

All you need is your mobile device or laptop, library card, and library card password/pin. If you don't have one, you can get your library card password/pin at the Library or by calling 781-395-7950.

New Library Catalog

We are going to have a new library catalog. This new feature will *officially* go live on January 2, 2024 but you can check out some of the features now by visiting <u>catalog.minlib.net</u>.

Chapters Coffee Cart



Don't forget to grab a coffee at Chapters Coffee Cart in the second floor lobby. The cart is open from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and has a variety of beverages, snacks, and sandwiches.

Chapters is not just about coffee—
the cart employs and supports the endeavors of
persons with disabilities. Chapters trains these
extraordinary persons to embrace their passions
and become part of the workforce.
Stop by today!

Homebound Delivery

Home delivery service is available for those who are homebound and unable to visit the library in person. If you or a family member could benefit from this service, please contact Sam at 781-395-7950.



Naming Opportunities

Gifts of \$50 or more are eligible for naming opportunities. Naming opportunities are a great way to commemorate your love of libraries while supporting our library. They also make great gifts for library lovers!

For order forms and details visit https://www.medfordpubliclibraryfoundation.org/donate-1

New! Name a Book \$50.00

You may name a new book in the Children's, Teen, or Adult Collections. A commemorative bookplate will be placed in each named book.

Name a Leaf \$250.00

Join the family of library supporters who have named leaves on the Medford Giving Tree, which is displayed near the entrance to Bonsignore Hall on the second floor of the library.

Name a Paver \$1500.00

Name a paver on the front walk and pave the way to the library.

Scan to view the webpage!



Book and Writing Groups

Writer's Workshop

Last Wednesday of the month at 7PM December 27 | January 31 | February 28

The Writer's Workshop is always happy to welcome new members! Come and meet your fellow writers and get feedback on your work. If you have questions about the group, please contact David Chia at duuchia@gmail.com.

Coffee and Books

10AM in Bonsignore Hall
Second Friday of the month
December 8 | January 12 | February 9

Join Library Director Barbara Kerr for coffee and a discussion of the hot new books and wildly interesting titles the library recently acquired. No assigned reading or registration required. Coffee provided by Chapters Coffee Cart.

RSVP is appreciated, if you are able.

LGBTQ+ Book Group Second Thursdays at 7PM

All are welcome to read and discuss literary and non-fiction works by and about the LGBTQ+ community with librarian Judy Nudelman.

December 14: Fine: A Comic About Gender by Rhea Ewing

January 11: The Guncle by Stephen Rowley February 8: The Sweetness of Water

by Nathan Harris

March 14: Confidence: a novel by Rafael Frumkin

April 11: The Selected Works of Audre Lorde by Audre Lorde

May 9: The Chosen and the Beautiful

by Nghi Vo

June 13: Untamed by Glennon Doyle

Books will be available approximately four weeks in advance.
Call the Library to have a copy put on hold for you.
Please register for these groups on the Online Calendar.

Monday Morning Mysteries Book Group First Mondays at 10AM

December 4: Cover Her Face by P.D. James
January 8: Promised Land by Robert B. Parker
February 5: The Missing Ones
by Patricia Gibney

March 4: Plushing Plushing by Attica Locks

March 4: Bluebird, Bluebird by Attica Locke
April 1: Burial At Sea by Charles Finch
May 6: The Mitford Murders by Jessica Fellowes
June 3: Small Mercies by Denis Lehane

Tuesday Night Book Group Second Tuesdays at 7PM

December 12: Come Fly the World: the Jet-Age Story of the Women of Pan Am by Julie Cook January 9: South to America: a Journey Below Mason-Dixon to Understand the Soul of Nation by Imani Perry

February 13: The Man Who Could Move Clouds: a Memoir by Ingrid Rojas Contreras March 12: The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict

April 9:Travels With George: In Search of Washington and His Legacy
by Nathaniel Philbrick

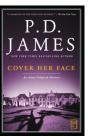
May 14: The Many Daughters of Alfong Moy by Jamie Ford

Historical Fiction Book Group Third Wednesdays at 10AM

December 20: Hamnet by Maggie O'Farrell January 17: Trust by Hernán Diaz February 21: Mademoiselle Revolution by Zoe Sivak

March 20: The Whiskey Rebels by David Liss April 17: The Island of Sea Women by Lisa See May 15: Shrines of Gaiety by Kate Atkinson











ZOOM Programs

Register for these programs on the online calendar to receive the links!

The Two Nerdy History Girls Ride Again Wednesday, January 10 at 7pm ON ZOOM

You know them as the Two Nerdy History Girls - authors Loretta Chase and Susan Holloway Scott were the originators of the infamous blog. We, once again, have Loretta and Susan here to answer all of our burning questions. How do they find interesting tidbits of historical lore, which libraries of the world have they visited, and how do they avoid the inescapable "rabbit hole"? We can't wait for what we know is going to be a fascinating conversation between these two friends and researchers.

Author Jennifer Keishin Armstrong discusses "So Fetch the Making of Mean Girls (and Why We're Still So Obsessed with it)" Monday, January 22 at 7pm On ZOOM

We are celebrating a book birthday! Jennifer's book, "So Fetch" just came out on Jan 16th and we can't wait to ask her all of the nitty gritty details of this totally fetch story of one of the most iconic teen comedies of all time, Mean Girls, in which she reveals how it happened, how it defined a generation, "like, invented" meme culture, and why it just won't go away. The book is filled with exclusive interviews from the director, cast, and crew - Lindsay Lohan, Rachel McAdams & Tina Fey (oh my!).

Celebrating a Book Birthday with Author Gabe Cole Novoa Tuesday, January 23 at 7pm ON ZOOM

We are celebrating the release of Gabe's book, "Most Ardently" with cake and conversation! This is a "Pride and Prejudice" Remix like you've never seen! We hope you can join us for what will be a fascinating and fun evening. It's BYOC (bring your own cake), though.

Panel Discussion: The challenges and rewards of being a debut author Monday, January 29 at 7pm ON ZOOM

We welcome authors Lauren J. A. Bear, Rita Chang-Eppig, and Nishita Parekh to our virtual stage. We'll be talking all about getting into publishing, the pitfalls, challenges, and roadblocks as well as the excitement, fulfillment, and reader enthusiasm that makes it all worthwhile. Bring your questions as this will be in a Q&A format.

Q and A with author Daniel Warshawsky "Food Waste, Food Insecurity, and the Globalization of Food Banks" Tuesday, January 30 at 7pm ON ZOOM

So many of us are passionate about finding ways to reduce food waste, so we're thrilled to be hosting author and professor Daniel N. Warshawsky for a virtual discussion of his new book "Food Waste, Food Insecurity, and the Globalization of Food Banks".

Tech Programs

Digital Resources Workshop Thursdays from 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m.

All you need is your mobile device or laptop, library card, and library card password/pin. If you don't have one, you can get your library card password/pin at the Library or by calling 978-257-5171.

The workshops will be held **December 7th,**January 18th, and February 15th in the Library

Technology Lab. Meanwhile, you can view resources at https://www.minlib.net/online-resources/medford Questions? Email Mike

Crockett, Media Services Librarian at mcrockett@minlib.net.

Library Apps: Libby, Hoopla, and Kanopy

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. in the Tech Lab
December 14
December 21
December 28

Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about the various library apps you can use to borrow ebooks, eaudiobooks, magazines, movies, and T.V. shows. Libby will be covered on December 14th, Hoopla on December 21st, and Kanopy on December 28th.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.

YouTube and You

Thursdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. in the Tech Lab January 11 January 18



Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about YouTube. Learn about recommendations, playlists, and creating and editing your own

videos. The classes build on each other, so it is recommended to attend all classes.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.

Database of the Month: Reference Solutions

Friday, December 8th, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Tech Lab

Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about the database Reference Solutions, previously called Reference USA. Reference Solutions is a directory of nearly 14 million U.S. businesses, searchable by name, yellow page heading, SIC code, zip code, estimated sales volume, and more.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.

New Tech and Hot Chocolate

Wednesday, December 27th 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Tech Lab

Got a new device as a present and can't set it up? Then come on down to the library for a free hot chocolate bar and on-site librarian tech help to set up your new device!

Database of the Month: NoveList

Friday, January 5th, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Tech Lab



Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about our database NoveList. Not sure what to read next? Find readalikes, recommendations, and more, all curated by librarians and publishing insiders.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.



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Tech Programs

Improve automated mailings with Google Sheets and/or Google Forms Thursdays, January 11 & January 18 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

This hands-on course is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to automate mailings using Google Sheets extensions. Whether you're a business professional, marketer, or simply interested in simplifying your communication processes, this course is your gateway to mastering the art of mail merge and personalized email campaigns. Registration required.

Introduction to Tinkercad Thursdays, January 25 & February 1 Thursdays, February 22 & February 29 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Unleash your creativity and take your first steps into the exciting world of 3D design and modeling with our introductory course on Tinkercad. Tinkercad is a user-friendly, web-based application that makes 3D design accessible to everyone, from beginners to hobbyists. This hands-on course will teach you the basics of Tinkercad, guiding you through the process of creating your own 3D models and bringing your ideas to life. Registration required.

Computer and Internet Safety

Thursday, January 25th, 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., Tech Lab

Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about safeguarding your privacy while using the computer.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.

Improve Presentation and Marketing Skills Wednesdays, February 7 & February 14 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

In today's digital world, the ability to create captivating and professional presentations and marketing materials is a valuable skill. This dynamic course is tailored to empower you with the knowledge and techniques to enhance your visual communication using popular, free design tools like Canva, Google Slides, Piktochart, and more. Whether you're a business professional, community organizer, educator, or student this course is your gateway to creating visually stunning content without the need for expensive software.

Registration required.

Database of the Month: Language Learning Resources

Friday, February 9th, 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m., Tech Lab

Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about our databases Mango Languages and Transparent Languages. Mango Languages immerses you in real, everyday conversations in a wide variety of foreign languages. It also features ESL instruction in English, tailored for speakers of more than a dozen languages. Transparent Languages combines extensive courses and supplemental resources for over 100 languages, including English.

The Ins and Outs of the Cloud

Thursdays, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tech Lab

February 15th February 22nd February 29th

Join Head of Reference Services, Zoey, to learn more about The Cloud and its full potential. This program is great for folks who have no experience or limited experience with Cloud computing.

Registration is suggested, but drop ins are okay.

Winter Events



Yoga Classes

Try out yoga for the first time or come and practice with experienced instructor Kat Mahoney. Bring your own mat. No registration required!

Wednesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
December 13, December 27, January 10, January 24, February 7, February 28



Boston Saxophone Quartet

Friday, December 1 from 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. Saturday, December 9 from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

The Boston Saxophone Quartet will be performing two programs of jazz and popular music at the Medford Public Library.

The Boston Saxophone Quartet is a unique blend of musicians combining a tremendous range of repertoire and individual experience in wind performance.





Glass Fusing Menorah and Mezuzah Saturday, December 2 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

In this workshop you will learn the basics of glass fusing techniques while designing and creating a menorah and a mezuzah. Your instructor will fire your creations in his own kiln. They will be available within two weeks.

Space is limited. Registration required.



"Arts in Time and Space" Showing Wednesday, December 6th 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Join the makers of a documentary on the Artists and Makers of West Medford as they screen their film for the public.



This film was sponsored by The Medford Arts Council.





Pressless Print Making Wednesday, December 6 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Learn the basics of printmaking using reusable, flexible Gelli plates and acrylic paints. This is a creative and versatile non-toxic method of making a one-off monoprint without needing a press, which you will be able to continue experimenting with at home. We will use plants, textural objects, and your own hand-cut stencils to create colorful, multi-layered prints.

Registration required!



Winter Events



Fractured Lens Book Release Party

with Medford Poet Laureate Viiava Sundaram Thursday, December 7 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Join Medford Poet Laureate Vijaya Sundaram for the release of her new book of poems, "Fractured Lens".



Chinese Brush Painting Saturday, December 9 2:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Chinese Culture Connection in Malden joins us for another program, this time on Chinese Brush Painting. Learn about the history and techniques of this ancient art and make a piece to take home.

Registration Required.



Paper Plants

Wednesday, December 13th 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m

Have a black thumb or want to give a plant as a present but not have it die? Then join Medford Public Library in creating a pink cordyline paper plant! We will be following instructions asprovided by the book Handmade Houseplants: Remarkably Realistic Plants You Can Make with Paper by Corrie Beth Hogg. All materials will be provided, but space is limited, please register.



La Noche Buena Storytelling Saturday, December 16th 3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Start your Holidays in Latin America style with "La Noche Buena" to celebrate the Holidays and to say goodbye to 2023. We bring rice pudding for the audience and we dance and sing!

After the Day of the Dead, it is a favorite piece of storytelling!



Decoupage Containers Monday, December 18th 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Decorate glass containers to take home with decoupage. We have fun and funky papers including old book pages and antique postmarks.

Materials are provided. Registration Required.



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> Please RSVP for these programs on the online calendar.

Winter Events



Glue Resist Prints Wednesday, January 10 6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Learn the process of making glue resist prints on fabric.

Space is limited. This is an adult program.



iLotería! Saturday, January 13, 2:00pm-3:00pm

Learn vocabulary in Spanish, while you play, eat chips and salsa, and get ready to yell out "Loteria" once you complete all the chart. Learn to say "Lo tengo", or "No, lo tengo" (I have or I don't have it) After the game, you would be familiar with the vocabulary and you would be ready to dance and sing with the Latin Rhythms.

Register on the online calendar.



Selected Stories with Author Michael Glenn Tuesday, January 16 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Michael Glenn is a retired physician and political activist. His stories have appeared in *The Hudson Review*, *The Antioch Review*, *The Nassau Literary Magazine*, and the anthology *Young American Writers*.

Register on the online calendar.



Digital Music Creation Wednesdays, January 17, 24, and 31 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Explore music technology and learn from music technologist and professional musician Raleigh Green. This workshop will cover the basics of Garage Band, Logic Pro and more!

This is a 3-session course.

Space is limited, please register on the online calendar.



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Winter Programs



Poetry Club with Vijaya Sundaram, Medford Poet Laureate Friday, January 19 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Take the mic and shine a light on the issues that matter most to you, with passion, lyricism, and force. We'll meet every month to read and discuss the work of great poets, while crafting and performing our own work.

Resonet in Laudibus: Five Centuries of Germanic Music with the Cambridge Chamber Singers Sunday, January 21 3:00-4:00 p.m.



The Cambridge Chamber Singers presents a holiday concert of 500 years of music from the German-speaking world. The program features four Renaissance motets, Romantic works by Rheinberger and Bruckner, a sampling of twentieth century pieces by Kerstin Thieme, Hugo Distler, and Franz Biebl, and a world premiere by Ray Fahrner.



Intro to Drawing Still Life

with Eli Portman
Wednesday, January 24
6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Learn how to draw still life with artist Eli Portman. This class is for adults and has limited space.

Please register on our online calendar.



Winter Sowing Saturday, January 27 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Join a local gardening group to start your garden early this winter with this hands-on guide to winter sowing in milk jugs.

Please register on our online calendar.



The Power of Truth: Early Diversity in a Medford Neighborhood with historian Dee Morris

Thursday, February 1 from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Introducing residents to the Revalyons: an early free Black family (1828) that lived in East Medford for many years. Their final resting place is the Cross Street Cemetery section of Oak Grove.

This program is run by the Medford Historical Society and Museum.



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Makerspace Events

Mystic Makerspace

Registration required for all programs on the Library calendar.

Monday, December 4 | 7:00PM
Fabric Book Corners

Saturday, December 16 | 2:00PM Shrinky Ornaments

Saturday, January 13 | 2:00PM T-Shirt Keepsake Pillows

Thursday, January 11 | 7:00PM Quilling

Tuesday, January 30 | 7:00PM Felted Bowls

Tuesday, February 6 | 7:00PM Wire and Beads

Saturday, February 10 | 2:00PM Candle Making

Monday, February 26 | 7:00PM Wood Burning

Makerspace Drop-in Times

Mondays: 12/4, 1/8, & 2/5 10:00AM-12:00PM

Mondays: 12/11, 1/8, & 2/12 6:00PM-8:00PM

Wednesdays: 12/13, 1/10, & 2/7 12:00PM-2:00PM

Fridays: 12/8, 1/12, & 2/9 2:00PM-5:00PM

Sewing Basics
Tuesdays December 5 & January 23
6:30-8:30PM
Friday, February 16
2:00-4:00PM

Please register on the online calendar.



Makerspace Badging

We are hoping to get YOU trained the training you need to 'check out' the Makerspace like our other study rooms. You can earn 'badges' to gain more exclusive access to the Makerspace and its contents. Once courses are complete, your library card will note you have more access to the Makerspace so you can 'borrow' the room when it is available.

If you already have a skill and would like to test out of a course, email Sam at

ssednek@minlib.net



Sewing

Tuesdays 3-4PM

1/9 & 2/13



General Safety

Saturdays 1-2PM

12/30, 1/27, & 2/24



3D Printing

Saturdays 10-11AM

12/30, 1/27, & 2/24



Laser Cutter

Saturdays 2-3PM

12/30, 1/27, & 2/24



Cricut Machine

Monday, December 8, 10:00 am Tuesday, January 16, 6:00 pm Friday, February 23, 3:30 pm

Registration required!



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Please RSVP for these programs on the online calendar.

Did You Know Your Library Offers...

Kanopy



Watch movies, documentaries, and other streaming video using your Medford Public Library card!

Enjoy critically-acclaimed movies, inspiring documentaries, award-winning foreign films and more.

You can access five titles per month, with three days to watch each film.

To get started, visit: https://medfordlibrary.kanopy.com/en/medfordlibrary

Library of Things



We have a wide variety of items available to borrow through the library—everything from computer cables and craft equipment, to crutches and a waffle maker.

We also have a huge collection of board and card games!

For a full list of items, check out: https://medfordlibrary.org/libraryofthings/

Mango



Mango languages is a language learning app you can use to start a new language, or brush up your skills.

Mango prepares learners for realistic conversations and communication in over 70 world languages, including ESL, Italian, Brazilian Portuguese, Mandarin, Irish, and Shakespearean English!

To get started with the app, visit: http://connect.mangolanguages.com/medford/start



FMPL Annual Meeting

At our Annual meeting in late October. we swore in new and returning Board members and voted to make some changes to update our by-laws and our membership levels. When you renew membership this coming year you

will be choosing from our new membership levels: Friend, Good Friend & Best Friend.



FMPL Board L to R Gloria McDevitt, Frank O'Leary, Tamar Siegel, Judy Marcella, Leilani Germain, Dan Lasko, and Sarah Florenz. Missing: Jan Nichols & Julia Hendrix

Thanks for making our Fall Book Sale a huge success!





We are accepting donations of saleable books and puzzles. For guidelines of what we accept and how to donate, check out our website at friendsofmedfordlibrary.org.



Look for our logo throughout this newsletter marking everything that your donations help fund.

The FMPL is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to raising funds for programming, special events, and items for the library,

raising community awareness, and promoting the library's services.

Join the Friends!

Make a donation or volunteer your time and help us bring even more excellent events and services to our community!

> You can join/donate/contact the Friends at www.friendsofmedfordlibrary.org

Find us on Facebook: The Friends of the Medford Public Library friendsofmedfordlibrary@gmail.com

Save the date for our

Winter Book Sale 12/2 Spring Book Sale 4/5-4/7

Books, puzzles, CD, DVDs and lots more!

Welcome New friends

Katherine Anderson-Wirz Aric Huang

Rose Mary Ardagna **Emily Jameson**

Courtney Bailey Adam Kimball

Peter Leed Andrea Becerra

Marie Bowen Nanci Lytes

Lydia Cabralis Karen McCarthy

Heidi Carrell Donna Meyer

Krysta & Lee Chauncey-Maya Montell

Allen

Joe Corbett

Amanda Oliveira Wendy Cliggott

Rhiannon Pabich & Dave

Marge Coello Gurprasad

Renee D'Agata

Adam Dangi Kim Ruppert

Martin Deeran Steve Schmidt

Kim Edwards & Tim Radville Erin Smyth

Jeff Farris Elizabeth Steele

Barbara Foran Gene Sullivan

Sindia Foster Sam Sullivan

Alena Haueisen Laura Taylor

Jason He Dave Wright

Gina Wright

Nora Pittman

Jessica Rayno

Every Day Book Sale Shelf

Don't forget you can always find some great deals at the Every Day Book Sale Shelf near the adult circulation desk. Book and puzzles are just \$2 unless otherwise marked.

> The selection changes daily. You can pay cash or use the QR code to pay with card.

December 2023 - Teen Programs



Monday, December 4

Maker Monday, 3:30-4:30PM**

Tuesday, December 5

Game Night, 6:30-8:00PM

Thursday, December 7

Crochet Club, 6:00-8:00PM**

Friday, December 8

Home School Maker Club For ages 11+ 11:00AM-12:00PM**

Monday, December 11

Buttons and Books For grades 6-8, 3:30-4:00PM

Tuesday, December 12

Chameleon For grades 6-8, 3:30-4:30PM

Maker Night, 6:00-8:00PM**

Thursday, December 14

Unbox Book Club For grades 8-12, 6:30-7:00 PM

Friday, December 15

Trivia Night, 6:00-8:30PM**

Monday, December 18

Creative Writing, 3:30-4:30 PM**

Tuesday, December 19

Chameleon For grades 9-12, 3:30-4:30PM

Wednesday, December 20

Stop Motion Studio, 3:30-4:30 PM**

Thursday, December 26

Picture Frame Craft Night, 6:30-7:30 PM**

Friday, December 22

Graphic Novel Club, 3:30-4:00PM**

Monday, December 25

Library is Closed

Thursday, December 28

Needle Felted Penguins, 6:30-8:00PM**



Our annual winter Teen Trivia Night is back on December 15! Compete on teams in this pop culture contest for the chance to win prizes! Sign up is required!



Make your own needle felted penguin during December vacation! This is happening on Wednesday, December 28—sign up is required!

Notes: ** - means registration REQUIRED. To register, please go to medfordlibrary.org/events Registration for December events will begin on November 1. Questions? Email Nicole at nperrault@minlib.net.

All teen programs are for tweens and teens in middle school (grades 6-8) and high school (grades 9-12) unless otherwise specified!

January 2023 - Teen Programs



Tuesday, January 2

Game Night, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, January 3

Creative Writing, 3:30-4:30 PM**

Broadway Karaoke Night, 6:00-8:00PM**

Thursday, January 4

Crochet Club, 6:00-8:00PM**

Monday, January 8

Maker Monday, 3:30-4:30PM**

Tuesday, January 9

Maker Night, 6:00-8:00PM**

Thursday, January 11

Unbox Book Club For grades 8-12 6:30-7:00 PM

Friday, January 12

Home School Maker Club For ages 11+ 11:00AM-12:00PM

Monday, January 15

Library is Closed

Tuesday, January 16

Chameleon For grades 6-8 3:30-4:30PM

Wednesday, January 17

Drawing, 6:30-7:30 PM**

Thursday, January 18

Cricut Greeting Cards, 3:30-5:00PM**

Friday, January 19

Poetry Club, 4:00-5:00PM**

Monday, January 22

Buttons and Books For grades 6-8 3:30-4:00PM

Tuesday, January 23

Sewing Workshop, 6:30-8:00PM**

Wednesday, January 24

STEM Kitchen, 3:30-4:30PM**

Thursday, January 25

Paint Night, 6:30-8:00PM**

Friday, January 26

Graphic Novel Club 3:30-4:00 PM**

Tuesday, January 30

Chameleon For grades 9-12, 3:30-4:30PM

Wednesday, January 31

Stop Motion Studio, 3:30-4:30 PM**



Vijaya Sundaram, Medford's Poet Laureate, will be starting a new Poetry Club for teens this month! Don't miss the first meeting on Friday, January 19!

Sign up is required!

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All teen programs are for tweens and teens in middle school (grades 6-8) and high school (grades 9-12) unless otherwise specified!

February 2023 - Teen Programs



Thursday, February 1

Crochet Club, 6:00-8:00PM**

Monday, February 5

Maker Monday, 3:30-4:30PM**

Tuesday, February 6

Game Night, 6:30-8:00PM

Wednesday, February 7

Creative Writing, 3:30-4:30PM**

Thursday, February 8

Unbox Book Club For grades 8-12 6:30-7:00 PM

Friday, February 9

Home School Maker Club For ages 11+ 11:00AM-12:00PM**

Monday, February 12

Buttons and Books For grades 6-8 3:30-4:00PM

Tuesday, February 9

Chameleon For grades 6-8 3:30-4:30PM

Tuesday, February 9

Maker Night, 6:00-8:00PM**

Wednesday, February 14

3D Printing Workshop, 3:30-4:30PM**

Thursday, February 15

Anime Afternoon, 3:30-5:00PM**

Monday, February 19

Library is Closed

Tuesday, February 20

Cupcake Challenge, 6:30-8:00PM**

Wednesday, February 21

Needle Felted Sloths, 3:30-5:00PM**

Friday, February 23

Graphic Novel Club 3:30-4:00 PM**

Tuesday, February 27

Chameleon For grades 9-12, 3:30-4:30PM

Wednesday, February 28

Stop Motion Studio, 3:30-4:30 PM**

Thursday, February 29

Cricut Hats, 6:00-8:00PM**



Make your own needle felted sloth pencil grip during February vacation! This is happening on Wednesday, February 21—sign up is required!



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December 2023-Children's Programs

Saturday, December 2

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, December 4

∮ STEM Kitchen 6PM**

Tuesday, December 5

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Kids' Drawing 3:30PM**

Wednesday, December 6

- ▲ Family Story Time 3PM
- Hand Sewing 3:30PM**

Thursday, December 7

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- ► Lego Club 3:30PM
- Family Maker Night 6-8PM**

Saturday, December 9

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, December 11

- Circle Weaving 3:30PM**
- Fred Small Author Visit
 6:3○PM

Tuesday, December 12

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- 1st Grade Book Club 3:30 PM**

Wednesday, December 13

- Family Story Time 3PM
- ✓ 4th/5th Grade Book Club
 3:30PM**

Thursday, December 14

- Sing Along with Matt Heaton
- Art Smart 3:30PM

Friday, December 15

Home School Maker Club
11AM**

Saturday, December 16

- ▲ Family Story Time 10AM
- ▲ Sensory Story Time 2PM**

Monday, December 18

2nd/3rd Grade Book Club 3:30PM**

Tuesday, December 19

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Styrofoam Print Making 3:30PM**

Wednesday, December 20

- ▲ Family Story Time 3PM
- ▲ PJ Story Time 6:30PM

Thursday, December 21

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- Lego Club 3:30PM

Friday, December 22

Fine Motor Skills Friday 1PM

Saturday, December 23

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Tuesday, December 26

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM

Wednesday, December 27

▲ Family Story Time 3PM

Thursday, December 28

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- ♥ Art Smart 3:30PM

Saturday, December 30

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

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For children 0-24 months old

For children 2-3 years oldFor children 0-5 years old

For children 3-7 years old

For children 8-12 years old
 For school-aged children (grades K-5)

∞ For all ages

Please note that book clubs are limited to children in the specified grade ONLY.



January 2024-Children's Programs

Tuesday, January 2

Baby Lapsit 9:30am

Wednesday, January 3

- ▲ Family Story Time 3PM
- ✓ 4th/5th Grade Book Club
 3:30PM**

Thursday, January 4

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- Lego Club 3:30PM
- Family Maker Night 6-8PM**

Saturday, January 6

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, January 8

STEM Kitchen 6PM**

Tuesday, January 9

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Kids' Drawing 3:30PM**

Wednesday, January 10

▲ Family Story Time 3PM

Thursday, January 11

- Sing Along with Matt Heaton 10:30AM
- ✓ Art Smart 3:30PM

Saturday, January 13

- ▲ Family Story Time 10AM
- Spanish Fun Time Ages 1-4 10:30AM**
- ♥ Spanish Fun Time Ages 5-11 11AM**

Tuesday, January 16

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- ■1st Grade Book Club 3:30PM**

Wednesday, January 17

- ▲ Family Story Time 3PM
- Amazing Animals 3:30PM**

Thursday, January 18

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- ♥Lego Club 3:30PM

Friday, January 19

- Home School Maker Club 11AM**
- Stuffie Sleepover (Drop Off) 4:3○PM**

Saturday, January 20

- ∞ Stuffie Sleepover (Pick Up) 9AM**
- ▲ Family Story Time 10AM
- ▲Sensory Story Time 2PM**

Monday, January 22

2nd/3rd Grade Book Club 3:30PM**

Tuesday, January 23

- Baby Lapsit 9:30
- Sewing Machine Workshop3:30-5PM**

Wednesday, January 24

▲ Family Story Time 3PM

Thursday, January 25

- ₹ Toddler Story Time 10:30AM
- Art Smart 3:30PM
- Reading with Ryan 6PM**

Friday, January 26

Fine Motor Skills Friday 1PM

Saturday, January 27

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Tuesday, January 30

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Beginner Knitting 3:30PM**

Wednesday, January 31

- ▲ Family Story Time 3PM
- ▲ PJ Story Time 6:30PM

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Thursday, February 1

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- ✓ Lego Club 3:30PM
- Family Maker Night

Friday, February 2

Friendship Bracelets 3:30PM**

Saturday, February 3

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, February 5

- ♥ 3D Dinosaur Collage 3:30PM**
- ₱ STEM Kitchen 6PM**

Tuesday, February 6

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Kids' Drawing 3:30PM**

Wednesday, February 7

▲ Family Story Time 3PM

Thursday, February 8

- Sing Along with Matt Heaton 10:30AM
- ✓ Art Smart 3:30PM

Saturday, February 10

▲ Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, February 12

2nd/3rd Grade Book Club 3:30PM**

Tuesday, February 13

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- ♥ 1st Grade Book Club 3:30PM**
- 3D Printing Workshop 3:30PM**

Wednesday, February 14

- Family Story Time 3PM
- 4th/5th Grade Book Club 3:30PM**

Thursday, February 15

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM
- ✓ Lego Club 3:30PM

Friday, February 16

Home School Maker Club 11AM**

Saturday, February 17

- ▲ Family Story Time 10AM
- ▲ Sensory Story Time 2PM**

Tuesday, February 20

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- ∞ Royal Dance Party 10:30AM
- Intro to Crochet 3:30PM**

Wednesday, February 21

▲ Family Story Time 3PM

Thursday, February 22

- ₹ Toddler Story Time 10:30AM
- ✓ Art Smart 3:30PM
- ✓ Kids' Karaoke 6PM**

Friday, February 23

Fine Motor Skills Friday 1PM

Saturday, February 24

▲Family Story Time 10AM

Monday, February 26

▲ Hands on Nature 3PM**

Tuesday, February 27

- Baby Lapsit 9:30AM
- Sewing Machine Workshop 3:30-5PM**

Wednesday, February 28

- ▲Family Story Time 3PM
- ▲PJ Story Time 6:30PM

Thursday, February 29

- ₹ Toddler Time 10:30AM

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Calendar of Events

December				
Friday, December 1				
Boston Saxophone Quartet	1:30 p.m.			
Saturday, December 2	•			
Makerspace: Glass Fusing	1:00 p.m.			
Monday, December 4				
Monday Morning Mysteries	10:00 a.m.			
Makerspace Drop-in	10:00 a.m.			
Mystic Makerspace				
	7:00 p.m.			
Tuesday, December 5	6:20 n m			
Sewing Basics	6:30 p.m.			
Wednesday, December 6	0.00			
Makerspace: Printmaking	6:30 p.m.			
Arts in Time and Space	7:00 p.m.			
Thursday, December 7				
Digital Resources Workshop				
Fractured Lens Book Release	e 7:00 p.m.			
Friday, December 8				
Coffee and Books	10:00 a.m.			
Database of the Month	10:00 a.m.			
Makerspace Badge: Cricut	10:00 a.m.			
Makerspace Drop-in	2:00 p.m.			
Saturday, December 9				
Boston Saxophone Quartet	11:00 a.m.			
Chinese Brush Painting	2:30 p.m.			
Monday, December 11	2.00 p.m.			
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Tuesday, December 12	7:00 n m			
Tuesday Night Book Group	7:00 p.m.			
Wednesday, December 13	44.00			
Yoga Class	11:00 a.m.			
Makerspace Drop-in	12:00 p.m.			
Makerspace: Paper Plants	6:00 p.m.			
Thursday, December 14				
Library Apps: Libby	3:00 p.m.			
LGBTQ+ Book Group	7:00 p.m.			
Saturday, December 16				
Mystic Makerspace	2:00 p.m.			
La Noche Buena	3:00 p.m.			
Monday, December 18				
Makerspace: Decoupage	7:00 p.m.			
Wednesday, December 20	•			
Historical Fiction Group	10:00 a.m.			
Thursday, December 21				
Library Apps: Hoopla	3:00 p.m.			
Monday, December 25	0.00 p			
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Wednesday, December 27				
Yoga Class	11:00 a.m.			
New Tech and Hot Chocolate				
Writer's Workshop	7:00 p.m.			
Thursday, December 28	0.00			
Library Apps: Kanopy	3:00 p.m.			
Saturday, December 30	40.00			
Makerspace Badge: 3D Print				
Makerspace Badge: Safety				
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Makerspace Badge: Sewing	3:00 p.m.
Tuesday Night Book Group	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 10	•
Yoga Class	11:00 a.m.
Makerspace Drop-in	12:00 p.m.
Makerspace: Glue Prints	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 11	0.00 p.m.
YouTube and You	3:00 p.m.
Improving Google Mailings	6:00 p.m.
LGBTQ+ Book Group	
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Mystic Makerspace	7:00 p.m.
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Coffee and Books	10:00 a.m.
Makerspace Drop-in	2:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 13	
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Tuesday, January 16	
Makerspace Badge: Cricut	6:00 p.m.
Michael Glenn Stories	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 17	
Historical Fiction Group	10:00 a.m.
Digital Music Creation	6:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 18	0.00 p.m.
YouTube and You	3:00 p.m.
Improving Google Mailings	6:00 p.m.
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Poetry Club for Adults	2:30 p.m.
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Tuesday, January 23	0.00
Sewing Basics	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 24	
Yoga Class	11:00 a.m.
Digital Music Creation	6:00 p.m.
Intro to Still Life Drawing	6:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 25	
Computer & Internet Safety	3:00 p.m.
Intro to Tinkercad	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 27	•
Makerspace Badge:3D Print	10:00 a.m
Makerspace Badge: Safety	1:00 p.m.
Winter Sowing	1:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, January 31	6.00
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Writer's Workshop



<u>February</u>						
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