

# Monthly Digest – April 2023

*learn, play, and explore*

## Welcome Message: April is National Poetry Month

(Image: a tan-colored, “old-English”-style paper scroll with the suggestion of words written in cursive, accompanied by a lavender-colored quill pen)

What does poetry mean to you? With the ability to evoke the whole spectrum of emotions, poetry stirs the soul. National Poetry Month celebrates this art form and serves as a wonderful opportunity to learn about famous poets and their contributions. Explore by browsing our collection, or better yet, visit in person... our staff has made it easy for you by assembling some fantastic selections to consider. To browse our poetry collection, visit: [bit.ly/MPL\\_Poetry](http://bit.ly/MPL_Poetry)

## Books... But Mini!

### In Celebration of National Teen Literature Day

(Image: a hand, holding a tiny book)

On April 13, teens are invited to create adorable, miniature versions of their favorite books. We'll turn them into keychains, jewelry, even ornaments! Open to Grades 6-12! To register, visit: [bit.ly/BooksButMini](http://bit.ly/BooksButMini). To view all upcoming Teen programs, visit: [bit.ly/YA\\_Programs](http://bit.ly/YA_Programs).

## What's New on Our Shelves?

(Image: one of Wowbrary's promotional images, inviting people to “GET OUR NEWEST BOOKS, DVDs, CDs”)

Books, movies, video games and more... we're always adding fresh material to our collection. To see what's new on our shelves, visit: [bit.ly/MPL\\_Wowbrary](http://bit.ly/MPL_Wowbrary)

## Holiday Hours

Friday, April 7: Library closes at noon in observance of Good Friday

Monday, April 17: Closed in observance of Patriots' Day

## **April Showers Bring May Flowers**

(Image: a flying bumble bee)

Are you a patio gardener, raised-bed gardener, flower gardener, or perhaps just an “indoor herb-garden” gardener? Whatever your gardening style, why not get a jump on your spring horticultural plans this month? Get some “inspo” from our library collection, then sign up for our educational adult program, "Beyond Flowers," which explores the secret lives of some of the world's more "unusual" pollinators. To register, visit: [bit.ly/MPL\\_BeyondFlowers](https://bit.ly/MPL_BeyondFlowers)

To browse our gardening-themed nonfiction collection, visit: [bit.ly/MPL\\_Gardening](https://bit.ly/MPL_Gardening)

## **Spring Break Fun!**

(Image: a colorful graphic featuring the words “Is it Spring Break Yet?” using a variety of fun fonts)

Looking for fun things to do with the kids during break? We've got you covered, including an exciting visit by Buildwave, offering high-energy, creative building events that feel like video games (for both kids and teens), a guided painting program by Pop Up Art School where kiddos will learn to paint an adorable koala, and more!

To register for the Children’s Buildwave program, visit [bit.ly/MPL\\_BuildwaveKids](https://bit.ly/MPL_BuildwaveKids)

To register for the Teen Buildwave program, visit [bit.ly/MPL\\_BuildwaveTeen](https://bit.ly/MPL_BuildwaveTeen)

To view all upcoming Children’s programs, visit [bit.ly/Childrens\\_Programs](https://bit.ly/Childrens_Programs)

## **New Discounted Passes!**

(Image: admission tickets)

Great news: We recently added The Salem Witch Museum, The Griffin Museum of Photography and Merrimack Repertory Theatre to our list of discounted passes!

For more information on our awesome discounted pass program, visit

[bit.ly/MPL\\_MuseumPasses](https://bit.ly/MPL_MuseumPasses)

## **From the Director's Desk**

**A building update, straight from the desk of our director, Sara Belisle:**

Dear Marlborough Community,

Another month comes to a close, and with that we get ever closer to our new library! This month we finally saw a little bit of winter weather, but that didn't slow down any progress being made. A lot of work was still able to be completed outside, which included the site work and electrical for the transformer and generator. I'm excited to not have to worry about power outages. Windows are being installed, including some of the larger curtain walls that will bring so much light into the library.

Inside, we saw painting and more drywall. The rooms are really coming together, and it's so great to be able to see the spaces in their actual size. Some of the custom millwork was delivered and is being installed. Beautiful hexagonal tiles are lining the walls of the restrooms.

As we get closer to move-in date, library staff are preparing. We're winding down some of our programming, to allow time for this preparation. Can you believe we've been in the Walker building for 2 years? As you can imagine, we've made this place home, and moving back will be a big project.

We've had a lot of fun wildlife sightings on the job site, including rescuing 2 barred owls. Another one was just spotted roosting in the staging area!

Warm Regards,

Sara Belisle

Director of the Marlborough Public Library

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## **Library Links**

Library Website: [marlboroughpubliclibrary.org](http://marlboroughpubliclibrary.org)

Access Your Account: [bit.ly/CWMARSAccount](http://bit.ly/CWMARSAccount)

Calendar of Events: [bit.ly/MPL\\_CalendarOfEvents](https://bit.ly/MPL_CalendarOfEvents)

English Language Learning Resources: [bit.ly/MPL\\_ESL\\_Resources](https://bit.ly/MPL_ESL_Resources)

Crisis & Community Resources: [bit.ly/MPL\\_CrisisAndCommunityResources](https://bit.ly/MPL_CrisisAndCommunityResources)

## **Contact Us**

### **Social Media**

Facebook: [facebook.com/MarlboroughPublicLibrary](https://facebook.com/MarlboroughPublicLibrary)

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### **Temporary Address**

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### **Hours**

Monday through Thursday: 9am to 7:45pm

Friday and Saturday: 9am to 5pm