

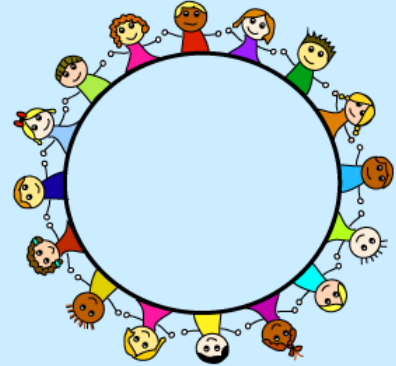


# July 2019

## July 30 is International Friendship Day!

The Marlborough Public Library offers many opportunities this month for you to come make friends at the library!

**Here's a sampling of activities that not only offer free fun and learning, but also a chance to make new pals! Opportunities abound for kids, tweens, teens and adults!**



**For times, dates and registration details, go to [bit.ly/MPLRegisterJULY2019](http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJULY2019)**

**Zines for Tweens:** Come and learn how to create your own zines!

*This event is part of our Tween Arts Exploration Summer Series, a special initiative just for ages 8-13 brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.*

**English Conversation Circles:** Come speak English with other English language learners.

**LEGO Lunch:** LEGO playtime and a nutritious lunch Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays through August 15 provided by the Summer Eats Program for children ages 5 to 18.

**Nailed It! (Outer Space Edition) for grades 6-12:** You'll get a photo of a beautiful space-themed cupcake and 45 minutes to recreate it with materials provided (including pre-baked cupcakes). We'll vote for who truly "nailed it" and for who produced the most hilarious results. After voting, you can eat your creation if you dare!

**Adult Astronomy Book Club:** Come to learn something new about space science or to share your expertise!

**Forever Young Adult:** A book club for adults who read YA books. Teens are welcome, too!

***"Since there is nothing so well worth having as friends, never lose a chance to make them."***  
**-Francesco Guicciardini**

## Summer Hours



The Marlborough Public Library  
will be **CLOSED**  
July 4 and 5  
and will be **CLOSED SUNDAYS**  
July 7-Sept. 1

MPL will be **OPEN** Saturday, July 6

## Congratulations to MPL pages Ells Mine (left) and Bianca on their graduation from Marlborough High School!



## From the Director



I just returned from the American Library Association Conference in Washington, D.C. which brings together 25,000 people to discuss everything about libraries. I always leave the conference inspired and slightly overwhelmed by all the information that is shared. In addition to workshops on every topic you can imagine, there are also over 1,500 exhibitors who are demonstrating everything new and innovative in libraries.

One immediate observation is how many library products are being designed with “green” design principles in mind. Many high traffic flooring options are being made from recycled plastic. Plastic bottles figure prominently in lots of library furnishings at ALA. Another observation is how important wheels are in library design. The wheels allow you to reconfigure furnishings as needs change over time. And that much we know for sure – things are changing all the time. A showcase on the 2019 Best Furniture and Equipment detailed the best aspects of everything from children’s furniture to lighting and lots of options for individual and collaborative workspaces.

Library staff spoke at length about how they use many of these recommended products in their libraries and can recommend them based on their experience. We are filing away many of these ideas for use in Marlborough’s library project so that we can design a facility that will meet today’s needs and change with the times.



## Need a Hand?

Access the MPL Social Service/  
Community Resource Directory at  
[bit.ly/MPLResourceDirectory](http://bit.ly/MPLResourceDirectory)

### English Conversation Circles

English Conversation Circles offer an opportunity for English Language Learners to speak in a relaxed atmosphere.

**No Registration Required**



#### July English Conversation Circles

**Tuesdays:** 10 a.m.

**Thursdays:** 6:30 p.m.

**Please check our calendar of events at  
[bit.ly/EnglishCircles](http://bit.ly/EnglishCircles)  
for meeting cancellations.**

### Wanted!



#### English Conversation Circle Leaders

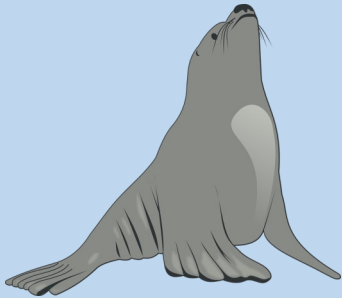
If you enjoy meeting people from other cultures and countries, please consider leading an English Conversation Circle.

No teaching experience is required, all you need to do is direct the conversation and make sure everyone speaks.

If you are interested, please contact Miriam Achenbach, Outreach Librarian, at 508-624-6900 or [machenbach@cwmars.org](mailto:machenbach@cwmars.org).

## Museum Pass News

In celebration of their 50th anniversary, the **New England Aquarium** is expanding their museum pass program to include the months of July and August.



This is new!! They have never had passes in July and August before!

Starting July 1, 2019, passes will offer patrons half price admission for up to 4 tickets. To reserve a pass, go to <https://www.marlborough-ma.gov/marlborough-public-library/museum-passes> or call the library at 508-624-6900.

Another way you can save on museum costs is to take advantage of the Highland Street Foundation's offering of Fun Free Fridays every Friday in July and August. A different batch of 10 different museum options are listed as free on each summer Friday. For the schedule of which museums are free on which dates, visit: [bit.ly/FunFreeFridays2019](http://bit.ly/FunFreeFridays2019)

## Special Program for Tweens Tween Arts Exploration

This summer we're offering a special series of creative opportunities just for kids who are "in between." The



weekly projects will encourage tweens (ages 8-13) to express their unique points of view and cultural backgrounds through writing, visual art, and food. The group's creations will be displayed at the final exhibit in August. *Please pre-register for each individual event.* You don't need to come every week to be part of the group! Learn more details about each event and find the full list of events at [bit.ly/MPLTweenArts](http://bit.ly/MPLTweenArts)

### July Arts Explosion Events

#### Zines for Tweens

Monday, July 1 from 2-4 p.m.

#### Design a Book Cover

Wednesday, July 10 from 11 a.m.- noon

#### Around the World Cooking Class

Wednesday, July 17 from 2-5 p.m.

#### Creative Journaling with Mandy

Wednesday, July 24 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

#### Marlborough's Endless Feast

Tuesday, July 30 from 10 a.m.- noon

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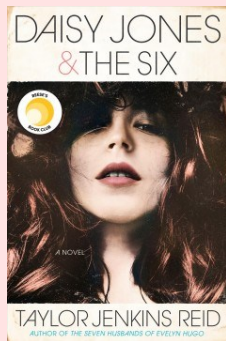
## Planning a Game Night with Friends?

Now you can borrow board games with your library card! Here's a small sampling of what's available!



Visit our reference desk or call (508) 624-6992 for more details and to find out the complete lineup of available games!

## Adult Book Suggestion



### **Daisy Jones and the Six**

By Taylor Jenkins Reid

I really had no interest in this book. Then, when I mistakenly thought it was non-fiction, I thought I should read it to bring back my teenage years. When I began reading it, I realized that it really was fiction, but by then I was hooked. As one reads, it is as if you are sitting with a group of people reminiscing about the “good old days” when “sex, drugs, and rock and roll” was all the rage. The book is written almost as readers theatre—all the different voices represent all the different personalities; that is how you get to know the characters. It is the story of the rise and break-up of a band and the reader sees firsthand the wild and crazy music scene. But—a warning: be prepared—the last page will make you cry—the ending is soooooo perfect! Enjoy.

**-Diane, Reference Librarian**

# Adult Services



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## The MPL Summer Reading Program continues in July! Don't forget adults can participate too!

Come to the library and get a free raffle ticket (one per day) for any item you check out! This includes dvds, cds, books, and more. Log your e-books online. For further details, visit [bit.ly/MPLAdultSummerReading](http://bit.ly/MPLAdultSummerReading).

### Adult Events

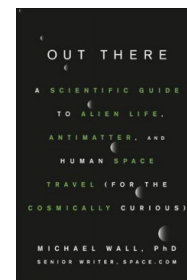
#### Adult Astronomy Book Club

Monday, July 8 from 6:30-8 p.m.

Read a book about space science, and discuss things like robotic design, astrobiology, and why Pluto is no longer considered a planet. Open to all levels of science knowledge; come to learn something new or to share your expertise!

This month we will be reading *Out There: A Scientific Guide to Alien life, Antimatter, and Human Space Travel (For the Cosmically Curious)* by Michael Wall.

Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk.

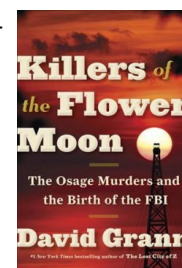


#### Adult Book Club

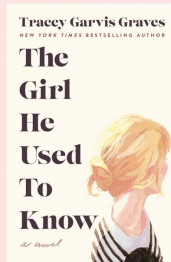
Join us Monday, July 15 from 6:30-8 p.m. or Thursday, July 18 from 10:30 a.m.-noon for

Book Club. This month we will discuss *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann. Extra copies are available at the

circulation desk. Learn more about the Book Club on our website at [bit.ly/MPLAdultBookClub](http://bit.ly/MPLAdultBookClub).



## Another Adult Book Suggestion



### **The Girl He Used to Know** By Tracey Garvis Graves

I love love stories, especially when they are kind of quirky and totally unexpected. *The Girl He Used to Know* is one of those stories. It is told in two voices—Jonathan and Annika, and told in two different time periods, when the characters were in college at University of Illinois and 2001 in Chicago when Annika is a librarian and Jonathan works in the stock market. The unexpected influence is that Annika is autistic—very high functioning, but nevertheless with many of the signs and symptoms of autism. For anyone who has known someone who is on the spectrum, you can hear their voice in Annika. But this book is more than just a love story—it is also a book about love creating the courage to try something that might seem impossible and triumph over a disability and unending odds to prove that you are right (and spoiler alert—love conquers all). Read it and I guarantee a smile on your face and in your heart.

**-Diane, Reference Librarian**

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## More Adult Events

### **How to Speak Up About Anything and Still Love Yourself**

Tuesday, July 16 from 6:30-8:15 p.m.

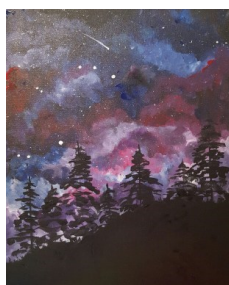
Would you like to feel more confident speaking up? Perhaps, you'd like to express your opinion at a public

meeting, ask your boss for a raise, or clear the air with a friend. Although public speaking in front of strangers is often cited as the number one fear, even more terrifying can be having difficult conversations with friends and family. If you'd like to feel braver about speaking up, please join Giulietta "Julie" Nardone of Fearless Design for this fun, interactive and supportive program. *Please pre-register.*



### **Canvas Painting for Adults: Night Sky**

Tuesday, July 23 from 6-8 p.m.



Teachers from Pop Up Art School will lead you step-by-step to create a star-filled night sky with silhouettes of a hillside and trees. It's amazing what you can create with four colors and some easy brush techniques! Open to ages 18 and over. *Registration required.*

### **Forever Young Adult**

Wednesday, July 31 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join our book club for adults who read YA books. Teens are welcome, too! July's book is *The Astonishing Color of After* by Emily X.R. Pan. *Please note: This book contains difficult subject matter and may not be appropriate*

*for every reader.* Copies of this month's book are available at the Circulation Desk.

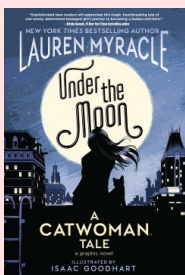


## Young Adult Book Suggestions:



### **Dr. Stone** By Riichiro Inagaki

One fateful day, all of humanity is suddenly turned to stone. High schooler Taiju is about to confess his feelings to his high school crush when it happens. Maybe it's a good thing that he turned to stone before embarrassing himself? Cut to thousands of years later, Taiju is able to free himself from the petrification and finds himself surrounded by statues. The situation looks grim—until he runs into his science-loving friend Senku! Together they plan to restart civilization with the power of science!



### **Under The Moon: A Catwoman Tale** By Lauren Myracle Illustrated by Isaac Goodhart

When fourteen-year-old Selina Kyle, aka the future Catwoman, becomes homeless, she must confront questions of who she is and who she will become. She rejects human cruelty, but sometimes it seems as though brute force is the only way to "win." And if Selina is to survive on the streets, she must be tough. Can she find her humanity and reconcile toughness with her desire for community ... and love?

# Young Adult

To sign up for any event that requires registration or to view all events, go to <http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJULY2019> or call 508-624-6903.

## Teen Summer Reading: "A Universe of Stories"

Did you know you can win prizes like earbuds, books, and gift cards just for keeping up your reading habit through the summer?

Don't forget that every time you check out using your library card or attend a library event, you get a prize ticket!

# A UNIVERSE OF STORIES

You can get two additional tickets per week if you complete a book review form. Learn more at [bit.ly/TeenSummer2019](http://bit.ly/TeenSummer2019)

## Starry Skies

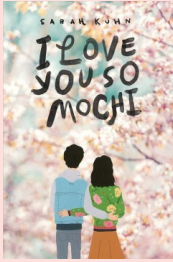


Celebrate "A Universe of Stories" by making unique constellation art.

At **Lazy Crafternoon** Tuesday, July 2 from 3-4:30 p.m., use watercolor paints to create your very own celestial wall hanging. You can make your Zodiac sign or come up with a new constellation entirely!

Then come to **Stories in the Stars** Friday, July 19 from 2-4 p.m. For centuries, people of all different cultures have made connections between the shapes they see in the stars and the stories of their lives or beliefs. Hear an example of a story and see its corresponding constellation, then work on your own imaginary one. Want to tell the story of your pet gecko? Want to make up a story about a unicorn that lives in Marlborough? It's up to you. Write your short tale, name your constellation, and start connecting the dots to create a unique work of art. For teens and tweens going into grades 6-12. *Please pre-register.*

## Another Young Adult Book Suggestion



### **I Love You So Mochi**

By Sarah Kuhn

Kimi Nakamura is obsessed with transforming everyday stuff into Kimi Originals: bold, unique outfits for her and her friends. But her mother sees this as a distraction from working on her portfolio for the prestigious fine art academy where she's supposed to go to college. So when a surprise letter comes in the mail from Kimi's estranged grandparents, inviting her to Kyoto for spring break, she seizes the opportunity to get away from her life.

When she arrives in Japan, she falls in love with Kyoto's outdoor markets, art installations, and cherry blossom festival--as well as Akira, a cute med student who has a side job as a costumed mochi mascot. What begins as a trip to escape her problems quickly becomes a way for Kimi to figure out where she belongs.

# Young Adult

## Special Summer Events

We've got a packed schedule of fun free events just for teens. Join us for arts and crafts, book groups, food, and more-- and earn prize tickets while you're at it. These events are for teens/ tweens going into grades 6-12 unless otherwise noted.

Get creative in the kitchen at **Nailed It!** (Outer Space Edition) **Tuesday, July 16 from 3-4:30 p.m.** Inspired by the TV show *Nailed It*, we're challenging you to recreate a fancy space-themed cupcake with the materials provided (including pre-baked cupcakes). *Space is limited and registration is required.*

Come to **Canvas Painting: Rainbow Llama** **Tuesday, July 23 from 3-5 p.m.** Pop Up Art School will guide you step-by-step to make your own creative version of this lovable llama. *Space is limited and registration is required.*



## MANGA WORKSHOP!

with Andy & Veronica Fish

LEARN ABOUT  
**COMICS!**

DRAW CHARACTERS,  
LEARN ABOUT  
STORY-TELLING  
➔ HOW TO  
MAKE YOUR OWN!



Join professional working artists Andy and Veronica Fish for a brief history of manga and a hands-on demo. Follow along and produce your own work to take home.

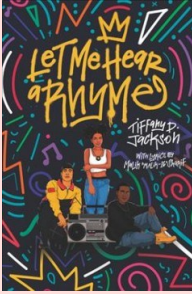
**Japanese Manga Drawing** will be **Thursday, July 25 from 6-6:45 p.m.** Ages 13 and over (including adults). *No registration required.*

Get a beautiful henna tattoo from Mandy Roberge at **Henna for Teens** **Friday, July 26 from noon-2 p.m.** Decorate Zen stones with Sharpies while you wait your turn. First come, first served. *Registration appreciated, but not required.*

To register for events or to view regularly scheduled monthly teen programs, go to <http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJULY2019> or call 508-624-6903.



## More Young Adult Book Suggestions



### Let Me Hear a Rhyme By Tiffany D. Jackson

When a young black teen is murdered, his two best friends decide to keep his memory alive by promoting his music -- rhymes that could turn any hangout into a party - with the help of his younger sister, Jasmine, who is out for justice. As the buzz builds, it forces Quadir, Jarrell, and Jasmine, to each confront the death in their own ways.

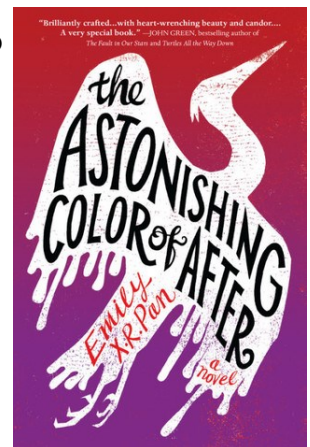
# Young Adult

## Launch into Summer Reading

Our regular teen book group, **Reading at the Table**, becomes **Book Brunch** in the summertime! Share what you've been reading lately, get first dibs on new YA books, and enjoy some brunch treats. The next meeting of Book Brunch is *Tuesday, July 9 from 11am-noon*. Grades 6-12. *Please pre-register.*

Join **Forever Young Adult**, our book club for adults who read YA books. Teen are welcome, too! July's meeting is *Wednesday, July 31 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.* and we will discuss *The Astonishing Color of After* by Emily X.R. Pan.

Leigh Chen Sanders is absolutely certain about one thing: When her mother died by suicide, she turned into a bird. Leigh, who is half Asian and half white, travels to Taiwan to meet her maternal grandparents for the first time. There, she is determined to find her mother, the bird. In her search, she winds up chasing after ghosts, uncovering family secrets, and forging a new relationship with her grandparents.



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## Children's Book Suggestions

### Picture Book

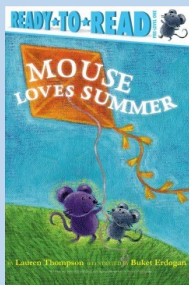


#### **Summer Color!**

By Diana Murray

Two children notice all the beautiful colors that surround them on a rainy summer day out in the country.

### Beginner Reader



#### **Mouse Loves Summer**

By Lauren Thompson

On a bright sunny day Mouse and Minka celebrate summer with a picnic in the park.

# Children's



To view all children's activities, or to sign up online for any event that requires registration go to <http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJULY2019> or call 508-624-6902.

## Get ready to blast off with all sorts of fun activities in July!

Every *Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday*, we will have a **LEGO Lunch** starting at noon. Children, ages 5 to 18, will receive a free lunch and get to play with our enormous LEGO collection.

*Wednesday mornings, beginning July 10 at 10 a.m.*, we will be having a mini **Space Camp**, where we'll discover new things about space and the universe and enjoy a craft (ages 3 and over, with a caregiver). We'll be making everything from glitter moon rocks to astronaut food. *Please register for individual sessions of this program.*



**The Painter's Challenge** with Ms. Lauren will be *Friday, July 12 at 2 p.m.* and *Saturday, July 27 at 2 p.m.* Stop by with your family and friends and create a painting using specific tools, paints or materials. *Registration required.*

**A Trip to the Moon with Pop Up Art School** will be *Tuesday, July 9 at 2 p.m.* Kids can create their own simple machines that will propel a rocket into the eye of the man-on-the-moon! This program is for ages 8 to 12. *Please pre-register.*

Pat Monteith, a Solar System Ambassador, will be presenting "**The Sky is Falling!**" *Thursday, July 11 at 2 p.m.* In this program, we'll learn about the science behind asteroids and perform fun activities. This program is for ages 7 and over. *Please pre-register.*

**Sparky's Puppets** will stop by to present "**A Universe of Stories**" *Friday, July 12 at 10 a.m.* In this puppet show, we'll meet a space traveler who flies a rocket ship to the moon and see what happens when some mischievous aliens travel to earth! This show is for ages 3 and over.



## Another Children's Book Suggestion

### Chapter Book



### **Dolphin Summer**

By Cathy Hapka

Lily's summer is off to a rocky start. Her best friends have abandoned her for sleep-away camp, without even considering whether she'd want to go or not. Worse, she's stuck with a long summer reading list her parents insist she finish when all she really wants to do is hang out at the aquarium so she can learn everything she'll need to know to become a marine biologist someday. So when Lily discovers a dolphin in a nearby canal, she's torn. She knows she shouldn't be spending all her time watching over the sweet, playful creature. But if the dolphin can't find the way back to its pod in the bay, it could be in serious trouble. Lily can't help feeling that saving the dolphin might just be her destiny.

# Children's

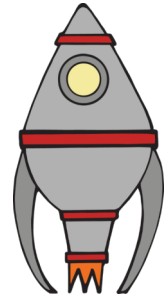


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## More Children's Events

**Ed the Wizard** will be here this summer with his **Rocket Building Workshop**. On Monday, July 15 at 3 p.m., we'll build air powered rockets and airplanes and learn about the basic properties of flight and some flying history (ages 8 and up). Please register for this program.



Ms. Kelly from Absolute Dance School will stop by and present a **Ballet & Creative Movement Class** Thursday, July 18 at 3 p.m. This class is for children ages 6 and up.

On Friday, July 19 at 11 a.m., we'll have a **Glow Party with Kosmic Kelly**. There will be plasma balls, energy sticks, glowing beakers, glow in the dark face-painting, glowing polymers, projector shadow casting, rainbow glasses and much more! Ages 3 and up, with a caregiver. Please pre-register.

**Slime Time** with Miss Mandy will be Wednesday, July 24 at 3 p.m. Each child will leave with three containers of their own unique slime. We don't use Borax, and the slime is 100% safe for all skin types. Ages 8 and up. Please pre-register.



**Mad Science** will present a **NASA Activity Station** Thursday, July 25 at 2 p.m. Stop by and be introduced to the dynamics of rocket flight. Our friends at NASA shared some great demonstrations for the Mad Scientists to perform and there will be all kinds of examples of space phenomena and what it's like to live in space (ages 5 and up).

The **Harry Potter Party** will be Wednesday, July 31 at 2 p.m. Come and celebrate Harry Potter's birthday with us! Dress up in your best wizardry wear and enjoy games, snacks, crafts and a movie screening of the first Harry Potter movie, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* (rated PG). All ages are welcome.

