

June 2019

Get set for a Universe of Stories!

After a chilly spring in Marlborough, the library staff is so excited to roll out the **2019 Summer Reading Program** for all ages! This year's theme is "**Space**," so get ready for a supersonic summer at the library! Join us for educational, fun events that are out of this world!

It all starts with our **Kickoff Party Saturday, June 22**. The fun begins with Kosmic Kelly's **Spectacular Science Show** at 11a.m. Stick around for a **Pizza Party** and **Face Painting**.

Did you know that even if you have summer travel plans you can still participate in our summer reading program and have a shot at winning prizes all summer long?

Whether you're packing up a stack of books to take on a trip or downloading an e-book while lying on the beach, all your vacation reading counts toward prizes!

Check out the children's, young adult and adult sections of this newsletter to find out what summer reading activities are going on for each group and how you can participate.

PROGRAMS

RAFFLE TICKETS

PRIZES

AND MORE!



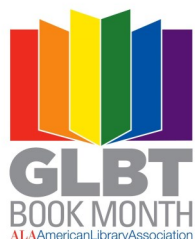
Summer Hours



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

June is GLBT Book Month™

Read with Pride



The American Library Association (ALA) marks June as GLBT Book Month™, a nationwide celebration of the authors and writings that reflect the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community.

The ALA supports GLBT literature through the Stonewall Book Awards, as well as two bibliographies including Rainbow Books and Over the Rainbow Books. These awards and lists serve to recognize the very best in contemporary literature.

[Stonewall Book Awards](#) - The first and longest-enduring award for GLBT literature
[Rainbow Books](#) - LGBTQ Books for Kids and Teens
[Over the Rainbow Books](#) - LGBT Books for Adult Readers

From the Director



People assume that things slow down at the Library during the summer. Many ask me if I plan to catch up on my reading. I always remind them that summer is one of the busiest times of the year at any library and particularly at the Marlborough Public Library.

Our programming efforts are designed to keep everyone, but particularly young people, reading and learning over the summer. Library staff design our summer programs with special incentives to motivate everyone to keep reading over the long hot summer. What books have you been anxious to read on your Kindle, listen to in your car or lounge on your deck with? Make sure to take time out to read this summer.

If you need any recommendations check out **Novelist Plus**, a reader's resource for good books at <http://bit.ly/MPLFindAGoodBook>. You pick what you like to read and Novelist Plus and other readers advisory tools on our website will offer you lots of options to help you make the most of your summer. All you need is a library card to get started.

Teen Window Artist Hard at (Volunteer) Work!

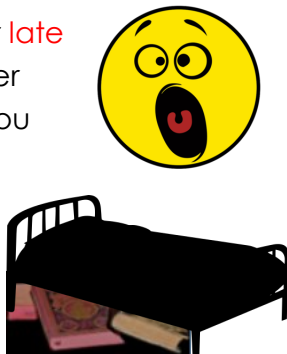


Teen painter, Dinh, donates her time and talent to help beautify the windows in the library's Children's Room.

Oh no! Did you just discover **late library books and dvds** under the bed that you thought you returned?

No worries!

Just return them on a Wednesday and you won't have fines!



Every Wednesday at the Marlborough Public Library is **FINE FREE WEDNESDAY!**

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. Learn more and find the full list of events at

bit.ly/MPLTweenArts

The first event in the series will be Multimedia Self-Portraits *Thursday, June 27 from 2-3:30 p.m.* Use a variety of art supplies and collage materials to make a unique self-portrait in the style of your choice: abstract, realistic, or anything in between. *Please pre-register for each individual event.* You don't need to come every week to be part of the group!

Tween Arts Exploration is brought to you with federal funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.



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English Conversation Circles

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

No Registration Required



June English Conversation Circles

Tuesdays: 10 a.m.

Thursdays: 6:30 p.m.

Please check our calendar of events at <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@cwmar.org.

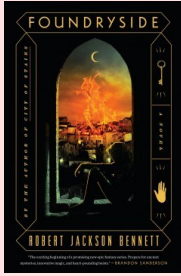
Thinking about the best way to keep cool this summer without maxing out your electric bill?

You can check out a **Home Energy Use Gauge** from the library to help!



This kit will assist you in understanding three types of electric use: plug, lighting, and mechanical. It will show you how to measure and record the amount of electricity you're consuming, and provide tips to reduce your energy consumption and costs, putting you on the road to long-term energy savings. Reserve it online or call our Circulation Department at (508) 624-6900.

Adult Book Suggestions



Foundryside

By Robert Jackson Bennett

Sancia Grado is a thief, and a damn good one. Her latest target, a heavily guarded warehouse on Tevanne's docks, is nothing her unique abilities can't handle. But unbeknownst to her, Sancia's been sent to steal an artifact of unimaginable power, an object that could revolutionize the magical technology known as scrying. The Merchant Houses who control this magic--the art of using coded commands to imbue everyday objects with sentience--have already used it to transform Tevanne into a vast, remorseless capitalist machine. But if they can unlock the artifact's secrets, they will rewrite the world itself to suit their aims.



Binge

By Tyler Oakley

The prominent LGBTQ YouTube social rights advocate presents a first collection of essays, written in his signature witty and uproarious style, that reveal such mishaps as a Cheesecake Factory meltdown, a fashion stand-off with the White House Secret Service and an embarrassing car crash.

Adult Services



To sign up for any event that requires registration go to bit.ly/MPLRegisterJUNE2019 or call (508) 624-6900

Adult Summer Reading 2019: A Universe of Stories

Did you know that **adults can win prizes** just by visiting the library this summer? It's easy! Here's how it works:

How to earn a ticket:

- Check out library materials (everything counts!)
- Attend a fun, free library event

(One raffle ticket per checkout per day will count towards the raffle.)

What does a ticket get you?

A chance to win the Grand Prize of your choice.

2019 Grand Prizes

- Marlborough Farmers Market Gift Basket
- Science Lovers Gift Basket
- Museum of Science Basic Membership

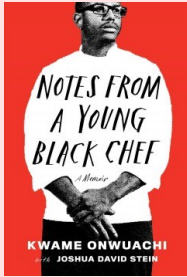
We've got a full schedule of fun free events for adults this summer! We kick off with a month of **Sci-Fi Sundays**, free screenings of popular science fiction films every *Sunday in June starting at 2 p.m.* in the library's

Bigelow Auditorium. Join us for arts and crafts, book groups, food, and more -- and earn prize tickets while you're at it.



"A Universe of Stories" is sponsored by the Marlborough Public Library, the Massachusetts Library System, the Boston Bruins, and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners.

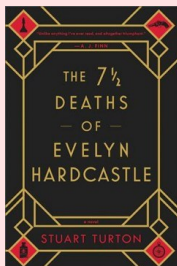
More Adult Book Suggestions



Notes from a Young Black Chef: A Memoir

By Kwame Onwuachi

The Top Chef star and "30 Under 30" Forbes honoree traces his culinary coming-of-age in both the Bronx and Nigeria, discussing his eclectic training in acclaimed restaurants while sharing insights into the racial barriers that have challenged his career.



The 7 1/2 Deaths of Evelyn Hardcastle

By Stuart Turton

Doomed to repeat the same day over and over, Aiden Bishop must solve the murder of Evelyn Hardcastle in order to escape the curse in a world filled with enemies where nothing and no one are quite what they seem.

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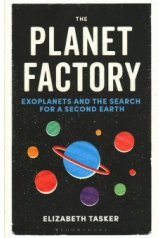
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More Adult Events

Adult Astronomy Book Club

Monday, June 10 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 *The Planet Factory: Exoplanets and the Search for a Second Earth* by Elizabeth Tasker. Copies of this book are available at the circulation desk.



Financial Literacy Series: Home Buying Made Simple

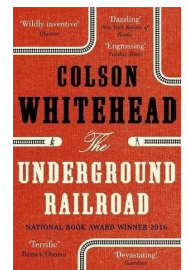
Tuesday, June 11 from 6:30-8 p.m.

Considering buying your first home but not sure of where to start? Join Samantha Brown from TD Bank's Department of Financial Education for this presentation which will help simplify the home buying process for first time home buyers. *No registration required.*



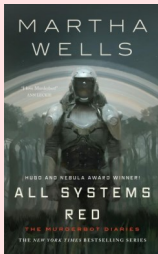
Adult Book Club

Join us Monday, June 17 from 6:30-8 p.m. or Thursday, June 20 from 10:30 a.m.-noon for Book Club. This month we will discuss *The Underground Railroad* by Colson Whitehead. Extra copies are available at the circulation desk.



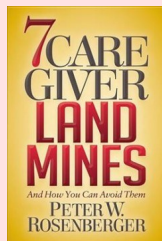
Learn more about the Book Club on our website at <http://bit.ly/MPLAdultBookClub>.

More Adult Book Suggestions



All Systems Red By Martha Wells

A team of scientists and their security android, who unbeknownst to the scientists has hacked its own governor module, must investigate a neighboring mission that has gone dark.



7 Caregiver Landmines : And How You Can Avoid Them By Peter Rosenberger

A caregiver's journey often contains beliefs and behaviors that act like emotional landmines and can cause serious damage. Avoiding these landmines, while finding a path to safety, requires caregivers to hear from someone with experience they can trust.

Author and radio host Peter Rosenberger draws upon three decades of caring for his wife through a medical nightmare to discuss seven caregiver landmines that wreak havoc in a caregiver's life. This book equips fellow caregivers to live a healthier, calmer, and even more joyful life.

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Even More Adult Events

Crafter Dark - Star Embroidery

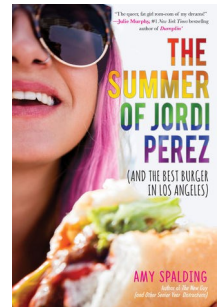
Monday, June 24 from 6-8 p.m.

Learn some basic embroidery stitches and sew your own starfield! Please pre-register. (Registration begins *Monday, June 3, 2019 at 9 a.m.*)

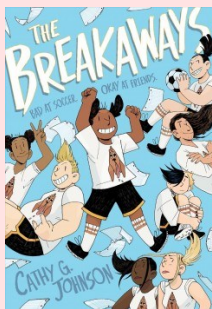
Forever Young Adult

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join our book club for adults who read YA books. Teen are welcome, too! June's book is *The Summer of Jordi Perez (And the Best Burger in Los Angeles)* by Amy Spalding. Seventeen, fashion-obsessed, and gay, Abby Ives has always been content playing the sidekick in other people's lives. While her friends and sister have plunged headfirst into the world of dating and romances, Abby's been happy to focus on her plus-size style blog and her dreams of taking the fashion industry by storm. When she lands a great internship at her favorite boutique, she's thrilled to take the first step toward her dream career. Then she falls for her fellow intern, Jordi Perez. Hard. And now she's competing against the girl she's kissing to win the coveted paid job at the end of the internship. Copies of this month's book will be available at the Circulation Desk.



Young Adult Book Suggestions:



The Breakaways By Cathy G. Johnson

Faith is quiet, sensitive, and really worried about middle school. Amanda, a popular eighth grader, convinces her to join the school soccer team, the Bloodhounds. Except she's never played soccer in her life, so she ends up on the C team, a ragtag group that's way better at drama than at teamwork. But soon the scrappy little team starts to bond. Their motto could be: Awful at soccer, okay at friendship.



White Rose By Kip Wilson

Tells the story of Sophie Scholl, a young German college student who challenges the Nazi regime during World War II as part of the White Rose, a non-violent resistance group.

Young Adult

To sign up for any event that requires registration or to view all events, go to <http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJUNE2019> or call 508-624-6903.

Teen Summer Reading: "A Universe of Stories"

MPL is gearing up for summer! Let this year's theme, "A Universe of Stories," inspire you to try new genres, authors, and experiences.



Did you know you can **win prizes** just for keeping up your reading habit through the summer? It's easy! Here's how it works:

How to earn a ticket:

- Check out library materials (everything counts!)
- Attend a fun, free library event

What does a ticket get you? Choose either:

- An Instant Prize: books, earbuds, candy, and more!
- A chance to win the Grand Prize of your choice. Grand prizes include \$50 giftcards, a deluxe art kit, a custom book collection, and more!

BONUS! Book Review Challenge

Tell us what you've been reading by submitting **Book Review Forms** at the Reference Desk. Each book review earns you two extra tickets (limit one review per week). *Marlborough High School students can submit a review for school credit.*

Another Young Adult Book Suggestion



The Princess and the Fangirl : A Geekerella Fairy Tale

By Ashley Poston

Imogen Lovelace is an ordinary fangirl on an impossible mission: save her favorite character, Princess Amara, from being killed off from her favorite franchise, Starfield. The problem is, Jessica Stone—the actress who plays Princess Amara—wants nothing more than to leave the intense scrutiny of the fandom behind. She wants this year's ExcelsiCon to be her last. When a case of mistaken identity throws look-a-likes Imogen and Jess together, they must step into each other's shoes and discover new romantic possibilities, as well as the other side of intense fandom.

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.

Our first special event is a **Make-and-Take Chocolate Workshop** Tuesday, June 25 from 2-3:30 p.m.



Professional chocolatier Kim Larkin from Klasic Kreationen will highlight young chocolate entrepreneurs, share chocolate trivia, and demonstrate her commercial chocolate tempering machine. Make some delicious chocolate treats to take home. Open to teens going into grades 6-12. *Registration required.*

The Belgian chocolate used in this program is processed in facilities that may use nuts. Coconut will be used as a topping during the program.

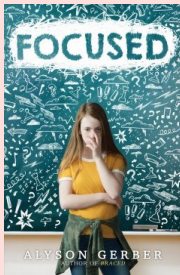
Volunteer Your Time to Get MPL Ready for Summer!



Join us for one or both sessions of **Summer Reading Prep Crew**. It's a fun, creative way to earn volunteer hours. Help us get ready by making space-themed decorations and preparing samples for upcoming crafts. *Thursday, June 6 and/or Tuesday, June 11 from 3-5 p.m. Grades 6-12. Please pre-register so we can have a job for everyone!*

To register for events or to view regularly scheduled monthly teen programs, go to <http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJUNE2019> or call 508-624-6903.

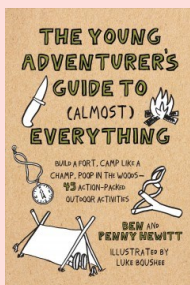
More Young Adult Book Suggestions



Focused

By Alyson Gerber

Twelve-year-old Clea wants to do her homework, follow instructions, pay attention in school, and play chess on the school team, but somehow she cannot focus on whatever is in front of her, and the other kids at school are starting to notice and make fun of her; when her worried parents take her to be tested she finds out that she has ADHD (only without the hyperactivity)--and with help from the psychiatrist who seems to really understand her she is determined to learn how to focus.



The Young Adventurer's Guide to (Almost) Everything: Build a Fort, Camp Like a Champ, Poop in the Woods in the Woods
By Ben Hewitt

The title says it all! If you plan on having an adventurous summer outdoors, take a look at this illustrated guide.

Young Adult

More Teen Events

Come to some of our regular monthly events before school is out. The next meeting of **Reading at the Table** is *Thursday, June 13 from 6-7 p.m.* Share your book reviews and get recommendations for what to read next over a pizza dinner with other teen readers. The Teen Librarian will also share some brand new YA titles before they hit the library shelves. Grades 6-12. *Please pre-register.*

Manga readers, come to the next meeting of the **Manga & Anime Club** *Tuesday, June 18 from 3:30-4:30pm.*

Watch and talk about anime, make recs for the library's manga collection, and hang out with fellow fans. Discuss old favorites and discover something new. Grades 6-12. *Registration appreciated but not required.*



Teen writers, come and do your thing in a supportive and inspiring space at the next **Teen Write-In** *Thursday, June 27 from 6-7 p.m.* You provide the imagination and we'll provide the music and snacks. *No registration required.*

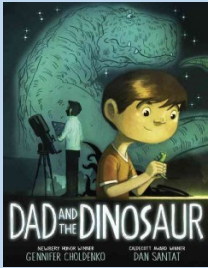
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Children's Book Suggestions

Picture Book

Dad and the Dinosaur

By Gennifer Choldenko

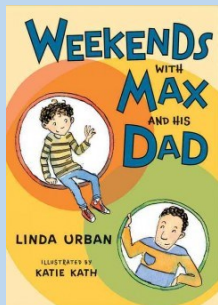


A boy keeps a toy dinosaur in his pocket to help him be brave like his dad—but when the dinosaur goes missing, Dad knows just what to do.

Beginner Reader

Weekends with Max and his Dad

By Linda Urban



Third-grader Max pursues neighborhood adventures with his dad as they both adjust to recent changes in their family.

Children's



To view all children's activities, or to sign up online for any event that requires registration go to

<http://bit.ly/MPLRegisterJUNE2019> or call 508-624-6902.

The Children's Department is excited to announce the start of the 2019 Summer Reading Program: A Universe of Stories!

Our theme this year is all about outer space. Starting *Saturday, June 1*, you may register for our program either online or in person at the Children's Circulation Desk. This year you can also keep track of your minutes using an app called **Beanstack Tracker**. For every three hours that you read, you earn a small prize or book. We'll also have weekly raffles that you can enter if you participate in our programs or if you check out books.

We start off the month with a special storytime featuring **Buzz Lightyear Friday, June 14 at 10:30 a.m.** This program is a part of the **U. Fund Start U. Reading Series**, which is a youth literacy initiative that travels throughout the state of Massachusetts. Instructors from MEFA (Massachusetts Educational Financing Authority) will conduct an interactive storytime, share valuable literacy activities for children as well as information about different educational long term opportunities. Children will be able to have their picture taken with Buzz Lightyear at the end of the program.



We'll **kick-off** our **Summer Reading Program**

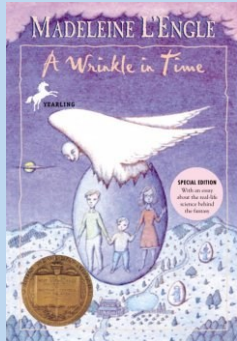
Saturday, June 22 at 11 a.m. with

Kosmic Kelly's Spectacular Science Show.

We'll have a full hour of exciting, educational, and interactive science featuring all of the best experiments - fizzy rainbow volcanoes, elephant toothpaste, flying things, gaseous bubbling beakers, bubble snakes and more! Fun for all ages. The show will be followed by a pizza party and scavenger hunt in the children's room. We'll also have face painting and summer reading registration, so don't miss this event!

Another Children's Book Suggestion

Chapter Book



A Wrinkle in Time, By Madeleine L'Engle

A midnight visitor escorts Meg, Calvin, and Charles across the barriers of space and time to another world.

Children's



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More Children's Events

If you and your little one like to sing, dance and move, we have a variety of programs for you.

Kiddie Time Song & Dance with Joe & Stephanie will be happening *Thursday, June 6 at 10 a.m.*

Ms. Kelly from Absolute Dance will be teaching a **creative movement/ballet basics** class for children ages 2-5 *Tuesday, June 25 at 11 a.m.*

Dance Me a Story (ages 2-6) will be here *Fridays, June 7 and 28 at 11 a.m.*

Preschool Yoga with Mandy will be *Wednesday, June 12 at 11a.m.*

The Painter's Challenge,

led by Ms. Lauren, will start *Wednesday, June 26 at 3 p.m.* This program is all about testing your painting skills. At each event you'll be presented with a challenge, such as: "You can only use a sponge as your brush" or "You can only use three colors, choose wisely." All materials will be provided, but please wear clothing you do not mind staining. All ages are welcome and we encourage children and their parents to work side by side. *Please register each participant separately.*

