

November 2023



EVENTS *at the* CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Events

Save on Home Internet: Affordable Connectivity Program Info Session

Thursday, November 2, 6-7:30 p.m.

📍 Lecture Hall

Join us to learn about the Affordable Connectivity Program and how to apply. The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) provides eligible households with a monthly discount on home internet. There are many plans available at little to no cost.



ACP Appointment Sign-Up Help

Wednesday, November 15, 2-5 p.m.

📍 Community Room



USAC Affordable Connectivity Program

We can help you apply for the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)! Laptops will be available to apply online. Appointment is required. The Affordable Connectivity Program provides eligible households with a monthly discount on home internet. For more information, go to this link <https://www.fcc.gov/acp>.

To book an appointment, please visit the following link <https://tingurl.com/acpsignuphelp> or call us at 617-349-4041.

Cambridge as Inspiration: Women Authors: Past and Present:

Monday, November 6, 7-8:30 p.m.

📍 Lecture Hall

Join award-winning authors Gish Jen, Claire Messud, Laura Zigman, and Virginia Pye in a conversation about Cambridge as an inspiration for their work.



Virginia Pye



Laura Zigman



Gish Jen



Claire Messud

Obinna and Chinwe Onyeagoro present

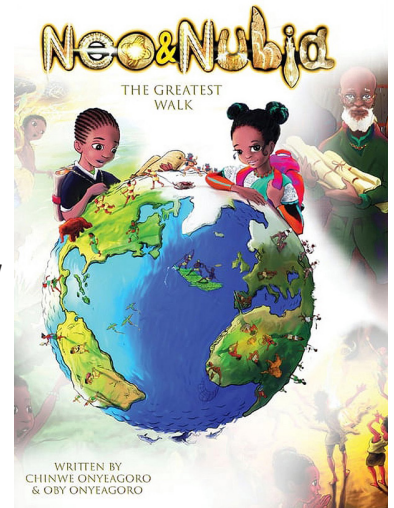
Neo & Nubia: The Greatest Walk

Tuesday, November 21, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

📍 Central Square

Come join us in the Children's Room for a homecoming celebration and adventure-filled reading of *Neo & Nubia: The Greatest Walk*.

Just like their main characters, they are siblings with roots in Nigeria who grew up in the United States and traveled the world, learning about the contributions of the African Diaspora throughout history. Now they are excited to share those same stories with the next generation.



Madan Sara Film Screening

Tuesday, November 14, 5-7:30 p.m.

📍 Lecture Hall

Join us for a screening of the film *Madan Sara* followed by a Q&A with the film's director Etant Dupain.



SERVICE UPDATE

All Library locations will be closed Friday, Nov. 10 and Saturday, Nov. 11 for Veterans Day.

The Library will also close at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 22 and remain closed on Thursday, Nov. 23 and Friday, Nov. 24 for Thanksgiving.

The City of Cambridge does not discriminate on the basis of disability. The Cambridge Public Library will provide auxiliary aids and services, written materials in alternative formats, and reasonable modifications in policies and procedures to persons with disabilities upon request.

For more information contact us at library@cambridgema.gov, 617-349-4032 (voice), or via relay at 711

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instagram [@cambridgepubliclibrary](https://www.instagram.com/cambridgepubliclibrary)

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VIRTUAL Virtual event

IN-PERSON In-person event

HYBRID In-person event with option to attend virtually

Workshops



Basic Tech Classes, various dates

Join us for Basic Tech Classes this November! Learn how to use email, search the internet, and grow your tech skills. Pick and choose the classes that are right for you. Look for new tech classes each month. Registration is required for each class.

Keyboard Tips and Tricks

Wednesday, November 1, 11 a.m.- 12 p.m.

📍 Main Library

Google Docs Basics

Tuesday, November 7, 1 - 2 p.m.

📍 Main Library

Google Drive Basics: Organize Your Files

Wednesday, November 8, 1-2 p.m.

📍 Main Library

Intro to Libby: E-books and Audiobooks

Monday, November 13, 1-2 p.m.

📍 Main Library

Create Resumes with Google Docs

Wednesday, November 15, 3-4 p.m.

📍 Central Square

Intro to LinkedIn Learning

Friday, November 17, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

📍 Main Library

To sign up for classes, visit tinyurl.com/basictechclass or call us at 617-349-4041.

Cambridge Cooks

Thursday, November 2, 6-7 p.m. and

Thursday, November 16, 3-4 p.m.

📍 Café

November 2: Chef Anthony Haley: Cambridge Cooks invites local chefs to the Library for a free cooking demonstration, followed by a tasting and Q&A with the chefs. Pate a Choux, or choux pastry, are a delicate pastry dough that serves as the basis for treats such as eclairs and cream puffs. Chef Anthony will teach techniques to make these versatile treats.

November 16: Forge Baking Co.: In this class, we are learning how to make our own flatbreads and vegan mayonnaise from scratch! We will then go over shaping, rolling out the dough, and cooking it! Afterward, we will make a Korean-inspired flatbread sandwich with spicy vegan mayonnaise, chicken or tofu, kimchi and fresh herbs! (This class will be vegetarian-friendly). *Items will include some dairy.*

Navigating Solo: Planning Tools for Aging Well

Tuesday, November 7 & 14, 2-3:30 p.m.

📍 Lecture Hall

Please join us for a talk and Q&A session on this 5-part Navigating Solo series facilitated by Ailene Gerhardt, in partnership with Cambridge Neighbors and sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. **Registration required.**

November 7: Where You Live Matters: Exploring What the Best Housing Options Are for You

November 14: Bringing It All Together: Developing an Organized Solo Aging Plan

Wellness for Seniors: Zumba Gold VIRTUAL

Monday, November 6 & 13, 11-11:45 a.m.

Put on your dancing shoes to improve flexibility and balance, strengthen muscles and have fun! Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. **Registration required.**



Wellness for Seniors: Low Impact Fitness VIRTUAL

Mondays, November 20-December 18, 11-11:45 a.m.

Join us to strengthen your muscles, heart, and brain—all while having fun and moving to great music! Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. **Registration required.**

Cozy Fall Creations: Crochet Pumpkin Workshop

Wednesday, November 8, 6-7:30 p.m.

📍 O'Neill

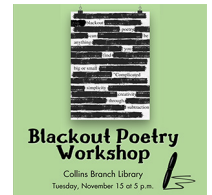
Join us at the O'Neill library for a fun and creative autumn evening for adults! Our friendly staff members will guide you through the art of crocheting a charming pumpkin to add a touch of fall warmth to your home decor. Whether you're a crochet novice or an experienced crafter, this workshop is open to all skill levels. Materials and guidance provided, so just bring your enthusiasm for crafting and the joy of the season! **Registration required.**

Blackout Poetry Workshop

Tuesday, November 14, 5-6 p.m.

📍 Collins

Blackout poetry lets us choose words to hide on the page which creates new poems based on the words that shine through. Join us at the Collins Branch to use upcycled newspapers and magazines to come up with our very own poems. All supplies will be provided. **Registration not required.**

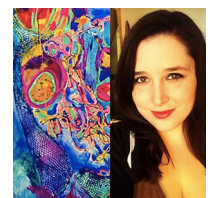


Get Creative! Series: Watercolor Painting Workshop

Thursday, November 16, 2-4 p.m.

📍 Community Room

Learn to paint with watercolor at your own pace in a fun and relaxing environment. We will cover techniques in color mixing, observational painting, composition, wet on wet and wet on dry techniques, masking, pressing, shading, light techniques, ink washes, and pattern making.



No experience necessary. **Registration required.**

Mindfulness and Journaling: "Dipping into Gratitude"

Tuesday, November 21, 6-7 p.m.

📍 Community Room

Join us for an introduction to gratitude and mindfulness meditation, creating a time to pause, connect, restore and reflect on the many dimensions of gratitude, whether big or small. The workshop will include guided practices with optional time for journaling and discussion. Welcoming new and experienced meditators!



Book Groups



Adult Book Groups

Boudreau

Boudreau Branch Book Group **HYBRID**
Wednesday, November 8, 12-1 p.m.
The Vanishing Half by Brit Bennett

Boudreau Branch Mystery Book Group **HYBRID**
Tuesday, November 28, 12-1 p.m. *The Mapping of Love and Death* by Jacqueline Winspear

Collins

Cookbook Group **IN-PERSON** Thursday,
November 2, 6-7 p.m.
Smitten Kitchen Keepers: New Classics For Your Forever Files

Collins Branch Book Group **IN-PERSON**
Tuesday, November 28, 6-7 p.m. *All the Beauty in the World* by Patrick Bringley

Main Library

Romance Book Group **IN-PERSON** Tuesday,
November 14, 7:15-8:15 p.m. *Mistakes Were Made* by Meryl Wilsner

Great Books Book Group **HYBRID** Tuesday,
November 14, 7:15-8:45 p.m. Thomas Browne, *Pseudodoxia Epidemica*, I.1-3 and *Hydriotaphia, or Urne-Burial*, chapter 5

Science Fiction & Fantasy Book Group **IN-PERSON**
Wednesday, November 15, 6-7 p.m. *Rosewater* by Tade Thompson

Contemporary Book Group **IN-PERSON** Tuesday,
November 21, 6-7 p.m.
Groundskeeping by Lee Cole

Great Books Book Group **HYBRID** Tuesday,
November 28, 7:15-8:45 p.m. *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell* by William Blake

O'Connell

Adult Book Group **IN-PERSON** Tuesday,
November 21, 6:30-7:30 p.m. *Leave the World Behind* by Rumaan Alam

O'Neill

O'Neill Branch Book Group **IN-PERSON** Monday,
November 13, 6:30-8 p.m.
The Seed Keeper by Diane Wilson

Valente

Valente Branch Book Group **IN-PERSON** Wednesday,
November 15, 6:30-7:45 p.m. *Gathering Moss* by Robin Wall Kimmerer

Children's Book Groups

Main Library

Parent/Child Book Group (Ages 10-13) **VIRTUAL**
Wednesday, November 8, 6-7 p.m. *Maizy Chen's Last Chance* by Lisa Yee

Parent/Child Book Group (Ages 7-10) **VIRTUAL**
Tuesday, November 14, 6-7 p.m. *Violet and Jobie in the Wild* by Lynne Rae Perkins. This group is currently full.

Books Not Binaries Book Group **IN-PERSON** Wednesday, November 29, 6-7 p.m. *The Insiders* by Mark Oshiro. This group is currently full.

O'Connell

Magic Tree House Book Group **HYBRID** Friday,
November 6, 4-5 p.m.
Twister on Tuesday by Mary Pope Osborne (Ages 5-10)

Kids' Classic Fantasy Book Group **HYBRID** Friday,
November 17, 5-5:40 p.m.
Dealing With Dragons by Patricia C. Wrede (Ages 10-14)

Graphics Are Great! Book Group **HYBRID** Tuesday,
November 21, 4-5 p.m.
Science Comics: Dogs by Andy Hirsch (Ages 8-12)

LIBRARY LOCATIONS/PHONE/HOURS

Main Library

449 Broadway | 617-349-4040
Mon-Thu 9-9, Fri-Sat 9-5, Sun 1-5 (Sept-June)

Boudreau

245 Concord Ave. | 617-349-4017
Mon-Wed 10-8, Thu-Fri 10-6

Central Square

45 Pearl St. | 617-349-4010
Mon 10-6, Tue-Thurs 10-9, Fri 10-6, Sat 10-2

Collins Branch

64 Aberdeen Ave. | 617-349-4021
Mon 10-6, Tue-Thurs 10-8, Fri 10-6

O'Connell

48 Sixth St. | 617-349-4019
Mon 10-6, Tue-Thurs 10-8, Fri 10-6

O'Neill

70 Rindge Ave. | 617-349-4023
Mon-Wed 10-8, Thurs-Fri 10-6, Sat 1-5

Valente

826 Cambridge St. | 617-349-4015
Mon-Wed 10-8, Thurs-Fri 10-6, Sat 1-5

All locations are accessible by public transportation.
Details are on our website.

Branch Events

Boudreau

Knitting Group

Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Bring your project, yarn, and needles to enjoy an hour in the company of other crafters.



One-on-One Tech Help by Appointment

Wednesday, November 8 and November 22, 4-4:45 p.m.

Would you like help navigating the library's e-resources like Libby or Hoopla? Or maybe you need some basic computer or mobile device guidance? Book a free one-on-one tech help session at the Boudreau branch. Scheduled sessions run between 30 min to 45 min. Please bring your device, cords, and any necessary account information. Contact the Boudreau Branch (617-349-4017) with questions about this program.



Chess Hour

Monday, November 13 and November 27, 6-7 p.m.

Come join us at the Boudreau branch for a chess challenge. Players of all skill levels and all ages are welcome to participate. Chess sets will be provided, but feel free to bring your own if you prefer. This is not an instructional class, but rather a gathering for individuals who want to play and test their skills against other members of the community. Registration is not required. Contact the Boudreau Branch by phone at 617-349-4017 or via email: ipachoncaballero@cambridgema.gov or mmcglathery@cambridgema.gov

Watercolor Painting Workshop

Wednesday, November 15, 6-8 p.m.

Learn to paint with watercolor at your own pace in a fun and relaxing environment. We will cover techniques in color mixing, observational painting, composition, wet on wet and wet on dry techniques, masking, pressing, shading, light techniques, ink washes, and pattern making. No experience necessary. Registration required.



LITERACY CENTER PROGRAMS

High Beginner ESOL IN-PERSON

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m.

Beginner ESOL IN-PERSON

Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Résumé and Job Application Support IN-PERSON

Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.

Intermediate ESOL Class IN-PERSON

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Advanced ESOL Class IN-PERSON

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3-4:30 p.m.

Central Square

Teens! Enter the Rainbow Realm with BAGLY and the Cambridge Public Library!

Tuesday, November 7, 4-6 p.m.

Help create the Rainbow Realm, a one-of-a-kind board game that cannot be bought in stores! The Rainbow Realm board game is all about BAGLY and LGBTQ+ trivia, and everyone who joins us can add to the game! We will be creating questions and designing the layout of the game together. The Rainbow Realm will be on display at the Central Square Branch throughout the month of November, after which it will take up permanent residence at BAGLY (The Boston Alliance of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Youth). Open to teens (ages 13-18). For more information, please contact Kit Ferguson at 617-349-4012.

One-on-One Tech Help

Tuesday, November 7, 14, and 28, 5-7 p.m.

Looking for some basic computer or mobile device guidance? Want to learn how to access audiobooks and eBooks? Stop by at the Central Square Branch for our drop-in hours! A laptop will be available for use during the session. If you have any questions, please contact syasuda@cambridgema.gov



Collins

Crafternoon: Color Change Beads

Tuesday, November 7, 3-4 p.m.

Visit the Collins Branch for a fun afternoon craft. We will use solar UV pony beads in a variety of projects. These special beads change color when exposed to ultraviolet sunlight. Recommended for children ages 5-10 and their caregivers.



CPL Nature Club: Fresh Pond Nature Walk

Monday, November 13, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Join us for a relaxing walk of Fresh Pond with Park Ranger Tim Puopolo! No two weeks are the same in nature, and Tim will share his insights about what's growing, changing, and blooming in the neighborhood.

Registration required.



Half-Day Hangout: Perler Beads

Wednesday, November 15, 1-2 p.m.

In November, work with Perler Beads to follow a pattern or create your own unique design. We'll fuse the finished product into place for you to take home. Recommended for children ages 5-10 and their caregivers.



CPL Nature Club: Bird Watching Walk at Mount Auburn Cemetery

Wednesday, November 29, 10:15-11:30 a.m.

Join us at the Collins Branch Library for a morning walk at the renowned birdwatching spot in our own backyard, Mount Auburn Cemetery! We will help you identify birds, learn birdwatching tips and tricks, and familiarize yourself with Autumn migratory birds as well as those that can be spotted all year round. Registration required.



Regular Programs for Children and Families

Boudreau

Songs and Stories **Thursdays, 10:30-10:50 a.m.**

Central Square

Story Time **Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10:30-11 a.m.**

After School Stories and Crafts **Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m.**

Twilight Stories and Songs **Thursdays, 5:30-6 p.m.**

Collins

Story Time **Tuesdays, 10:30-11 a.m.**

Evening Family Story Time **Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.**

Main Library

Baby Lapsit **Mondays, 10-10:20 a.m.**

📍 **Rey Room**

Morning Sing-Along **Mondays and Wednesdays, 11-11:25 a.m.**

📍 **Curious George Room**

LEGO Time **Mondays, 4-4:45 p.m.**

📍 **Curious George Room**

Toddler Story Time **Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11-11:25 a.m.**

📍 **Rey Room**

Preschool Story Time **Tuesdays, 4-4:25 p.m.**

📍 **Rey Room**

Afternoon Sing-Along **Thursdays, 4-4:25 p.m.**

📍 **Curious George Room**

O'Connell

Preschool Story Time, **Thursdays, 3:30-4 p.m.**

Toddler Story Time, **Fridays, 11-11:30 a.m.**

O'Neill

Sing-Along **Mondays, 10:30-10:50 a.m.**

Story Time **Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m.**

Valente

Songs and Stories **Tuesdays, 11-11:25 a.m.**

Story Time **Thursdays, 11-11:25 a.m.**

Main

Puzzle Party

Mondays, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

📍 Rossi Room

Join our librarians for tea, cookies and a jigsaw puzzle. An hour of fun and conversation on a Monday afternoon. Refreshments will be provided.

Sit 'n' Knit

Tuesdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

📍 Rossi Room

Bring your project and enjoy the company of other fiber crafters. Drop-in with this informal group to work on your craft, get inspired, pick up skills and socialize. Knit, embroider, crochet, spin, and mend. Refreshments will be provided.



One-on-One Tech Help by appointment

Thursdays, 11-1 p.m.

Looking for some basic computer or mobile device guidance? Want to learn how to access audiobooks and eBooks? A laptop will be available for use during the session.



Registration required. If you have any questions, please contact sysuda@cambridgem.gov.

Teen Room x The Hive

Fridays, 3:30-5 p.m.

Grab a friend for some creative exploration and play! Try your hand at sticker-making, 3D doodling, immersive VR and more in the Teen Room. This is a drop-in event designed for patrons ages 12-18.



Nintendo Switch Party for Ages 7-9

Wednesday, November 1, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

📍 Curious George Room

Join our Nintendo Switch party! We have library consoles and games to share. Play multiplayer games on a big screen with up to 4 players or use our handheld console for a 1-2 player game. Feel free to bring your own Switch console as well!



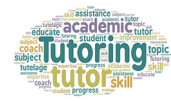
Free Drop-In Tutoring for Teens

Mondays and Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m.

📍 Teen Room

Need help with a class? Have a question before an exam? Tutors are available to help you! Cambridge School Volunteers and the Cambridge Public Library are pleased to offer tutoring services in the Teen Room.

FREE DROP-IN TUTORING FOR TEENS



Mondays & Wednesdays, 5-6pm
Teen Room, Main Library

Call the Teen Room for more info: (617) 349-4027



Nintendo Switch Party for Ages 10-13

Wednesday, November 8, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

📍 Curious George Room

Join our Nintendo Switch party!

We'll have library consoles and games to share - plus snacks! Play multiplayer games on a big screen with up to 6 players or use our handheld console for a 1-2 player game. Feel free to bring your own Switch console as well!



Puppetry Studio: Crankie Theater Storytelling

Thursday, November 9, 5-6:30 p.m.

📍 Curious George Room

A crankie theater uses illustrated scrolls that are hand-cranked to advance the story along. We will adapt the fable "The Tortoise and the Hare" for a tiny stage and perform our masterpiece for family and friends. This two-week puppetry workshop is for kids ages 7-10. No experience necessary!



Registration required. Participants must attend both sessions and have read a version of the fable before the first session. Stop by the Children's Room to pick up a copy or call **617-349-4038**.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 28, 4-5 p.m.

📍 Rossi Room

Teens, help us plan teen programs for the Library! Earn community service hours! Enjoy free snacks! We meet monthly during the school year. **No Registration required.** Stop by the Teen Room or call **617-349-4027** to learn more.

Sewing Circle

Wednesday, November 8 and 29, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

📍 Rossi Room

Continue building your machine-sewing skills and receive support as you work on your own sewing projects with our Library sewing community. Participants must register but may drop-in any time during the program. This program is designed for patrons who know the basics of how to use our Janome sewing machines.

O'Connell

Fiber Crafts Group Drop-In

Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Bring your project and enjoy the company of other fiber crafters. Drop-in with this informal group to work on your craft, get inspired, pick up skills and socialize. Knit, embroider, crochet, spin, mend, cross stitch and more. All crafts are welcome.



Evening Family Story Time

Wednesday, November 29, 6:30 PM-7:00 PM

We invite children and their grown-ups to join us for a special evening story time event. This program will run for 20-25 minutes, with songs, stories and rhymes. This program will be held indoors at the O'Connell Branch Library. **No Registration required.** Please call **617-349-4019** for more information.



O'Neill

Wednesdays of Wonder - WOW!

Every Wednesday of the month!

11/1, 3-4:30 p.m. Backpack decorations

11/8, 3-4:30 p.m. K'Nex

11/15, 1-2:30 p.m. Paper Centerpieces

11/22, 1-2:30 p.m. Loom Box Weaving

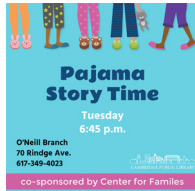
11/29, 3-4:30 p.m. Marble Runs

Come to the Library for games and a different activity each week! Kids of all ages can hang out and do crafts or STEAM activities. **No Registration required.**

Pajama Story Time

Tuesday, November 14, 6:45-7:30 p.m.

Come to the library in your pajamas to listen to stories, read with your children, and enjoy a snack before bed! This program is recommended for children of all ages and their caregivers. Pajama Story Time is presented by the Cambridge Public Library and the Center for Families.

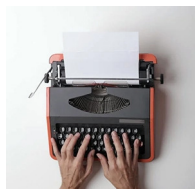


Cambridge Young Authors' Squad

Friday, November 3 and November 17, 4-5 p.m.

Young people ages 10 to 14 who love to write are welcome to share their ideas and writing. There will be time for share-outs/ workshopping, as well as group or solo writing. Snacks are provided!

Registration is helpful, but not required.



Crafting Corner

Saturdays, 1:30-3 p.m.

Fiber arts crafters of all skill levels are welcome to drop in for companionable crafting! Bring your current work in progress, and enjoy tea, snacks, and conversation with other crafters. Chat, share tips, and maybe even inspire others. **No Registration required.**



Saturday Songs and Stories

Saturday, November 4, 3:30-4 p.m.

Music, movement and stories! Join your librarians for 20 minutes of fun! For children of all ages and their grown-ups.

CPL Nature Club: Leaf Walk and Story Time

Tuesday, November 7, 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

We invite children and their grown-ups to join us for stories, followed by an outdoor walk around the Library and a fall nature craft.



English Conversation Practice

Friday, November 3 and 17, 10-11:30 a.m.

Join us for an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Conversation Practice. This conversation group is for those with an intermediate or high level of English language skill. **No testing is required.**

For more information on other ESOL classes, please call Maria Balestrieri at **617-349-4013**.

Family STEAM Night - Astronomy

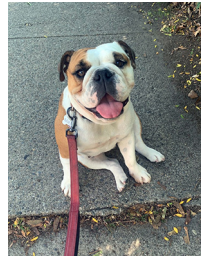
Tuesday, November 21, 6:30-7:15 p.m.

Families with elementary school age children join us for hands-on activities focused on Science, Technology, Arts, Engineering, and Math. Adults and children will learn and play together! In November we will learn about the moon and observe the night sky!

Read to a Dog

Thursday, November 30, 3-4 p.m.

Read with a cuddly friend! Trained therapy dogs provide warm and non-judgmental reading companions for new or experienced readers up to age 14. Registration for each 10-minute time slot is required and begins on Wednesday November 22 by calling or visiting the O'Neill Branch (**617-349-4023**).



Valente

Drop-In Project

Fridays, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Drop by to work on a project.

Each week we will have a different activity.



Evening Story Time

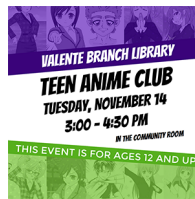
Monday, November 13, 5:30-5:55 p.m.

We invite children and their grown-ups to join us for a special evening story time event. This program will run for 25-30 minutes, with songs, stories and rhymes. This program will be held in the Community Room of the Valente Branch Library. Please call **617-349-4015** for more information.

Teen Anime Club

Tuesday, November 14, 3-4:30 p.m.

Join us at the Valente Branch for an anime-filled afternoon. Enjoy the company of friends and snacks as we dive into a show together! Open to preteens and teens ages 12 and up. Please contact the library at **617-349-4015** for more information.



Drop-In Craft Project

Monday, November 27, 3-4:30 p.m.

Join us after school to make a drop in art project! All materials will be provided by the library.

This program is intended for children ages 5+ and their caregivers. **No Registration required.** Contact the library at **617-349-4105** for more information.



Film in Translation

Tuesday, November 28, 6-7:45 p.m.

Join the Valente Branch for a screening of an international film. This movie will be shown with English subtitles. Please call the Valente Branch at **617-349-4015** for the name of the film. Popcorn and soft drinks will be provided.

Half-Day Hangout: Board Games

Wednesday, November 15, 1-3 p.m.

Join us after the half-day for board games! Play with your friends and family, or meet someone new! The library will provide board games for a range of ages. No registration is required for this drop-in event. Contact the Valente Branch Library at **617-349-4015** for more information.



Sticker Painting for Teens

Tuesday, November 28, 3-4:30 p.m.

Join us in the Community Room to paint by sticker, creating fun sticker art together! The library will provide sticker art for each participant, while supplies last. Register online to guarantee a sticker page. Materials will be available for drop-in participants as supplies last.

This event is for preteens and teens ages 12 and up. Contact the library at **617-349-4015** for more information.



Save the Date

Cambridge Cooks:
Ploy's Kitchen makes
Thai Noodle Salad

PLOY'S KITCHEN

Wednesday, December 6, 3-4 p.m.

📍 Café

Learn how to make vegan Thai Noodle Salad, taught by Ploy Khunisorn. All participants will receive an herbal tea, perfect for winter. Cambridge Cooks invites local chefs for a free cooking demonstration, followed by a tasting and Q&A with the chef.

About the chef: Ploy Khunisorn is a native of Thailand. She went to Suan Dusit International Culinary School while she was working as a financial analyst in Bangkok. She came to the USA to earn a Master of Liberal Arts in Sustainability at Harvard University and a Master of Education at Cambridge College.

She has been teaching cooking classes since 2014. Having traveled to over 30 countries, she has enjoyed and learned to cook varieties of cuisine around the world. In her 9+ years of teaching experience, Ploy has taught over 6,000 students to cook and bake Asian cuisines.

She received a Certificate in Plant-Based Patisserie from Le Cordon Bleu. She is also a certified tea master. She currently teaches at Cambridge Center for Adult Education, Cambridge School of Culinary Arts, and many Community Colleges throughout the USA.

Registration required.

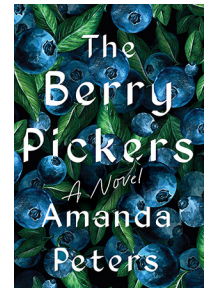
Amanda Peters Presents

The Berry Pickers

Thursday, December 7,
6-7:30 p.m.

📍 Lecture Hall

Amanda Peters is a writer of Mi'kmaq and settler ancestry. Her debut novel *The Berry Pickers* follows an Indigenous family that is forever changed after one of their own goes missing.



Mindfulness and Journaling: "Winter Lights"

Tuesday, December 12, 6-7 p.m.

Join us for an introduction to mindfulness meditation, creating a time to pause, connect, restore and reflect. The workshop will include guided practices with optional time for journaling and discussion. Welcoming new and experienced meditators!

Laura Carmen Arena is an Argentinian-American writer and visual artist and an experienced yoga and meditation teacher based in Cambridge. She has led workshops on meditation and yoga at universities and other professional settings. She studied literature at NYU, and contemplative traditions, education, and creative writing at Harvard University, where she also served as a teaching fellow, photographer, webmaster and assistant director of multicultural affairs. She enjoys leading mind-body practices to pollinate creative outlooks and a more peaceful, centered awareness.



Highlights from the Past Month



Boston Book Festival

The Library attended the Boston Book Festival on October 14. We had fun making buttons, registering people for library cards, and giving away library goodies!



Xochitl Gonzalez on *Olga Dies Dreaming*

Xochitl Gonzalez discussed her bestseller, *Olga Dies Dreaming* in the Lecture Hall.



Actress Ashley Judd

at the Library on October 2 for the 50 Years of *Ms. Magazine*.



Director McCauley

at Dr. Claudine Gay's inauguration as the President of Harvard University.



The Afghanistan Freeharmonic Orchestra
at the Main Library, Saturday October 21.



Hive Workshops for November 2023

All participants must complete the Hive Safety Training before attending Hive Workshops.



3D Printing 101: Game Piece Design

IN-PERSON

Learn how to create your favorite game piece in digital space and print it out using our Sindh 3D printers. You will get hands-on experience running the 3D printer, gain fundamental 3D modeling skills using Tinkercad, and earn your 3D Printing badge for future reservations in The Hive. Before taking this workshop, you must complete The Hive Safety Training and create a free Tinkercad account at www.tinkercad.com.

Equipment and Studio Reservations

IN-PERSON Anyone who has completed Hive training and is badged to use equipment or studio(s) can reserve Hive equipment or studio spaces during these times. Staff will assist participants as they are able.

Glowforge 101: Creative Laser Cutting (Part 1 & 2)

IN-PERSON

Learn how to cut, engrave, and shape designs from a variety of materials using the Glowforge Pro laser cutter in this two-part series.

Hive Safety Training

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You will learn about our makerspace, how to use our resources, and how to keep safe in The Hive.

Hive Teen Hangout

IN-PERSON

Have you checked out The Hive yet? Teens are welcome to come learn about our space and try their hand at sticker making, video recording in our studio and more. This is a drop-in event designed for patrons ages 12-18.

Sewing Circle

IN-PERSON

Continue building your machine-sewing skills AND receive support as you work on your own



Welcome to the state-of-the-art makerspace located at the Main Library! It is a hub for STEAM learning, creativity, and community collaboration in Cambridge. Its mission is to provide free, hands-on learning opportunities to the Cambridge community, resources for personal projects, and to serve as a hub for skill sharing and creative collaboration.

The Hive is open to individuals with a Minuteman library card. The space is designed for independent use for patrons ages 12 and up and supervised use for children under the age of 12.

sewing projects with our Library sewing community. Participants must register but may drop-in any time during the program. This program is designed for patrons who know the basics of how to use our Janome sewing machines.

Serger 101

IN-PERSON

Are you an intermediate or advanced sewer? This workshop will cover serger machine setup, threading a serger, and identifying correct tension settings with different types of fabric. You will learn about ways to use our Elna Extend 864 Air serger to take your sewing skills to the next level by producing special finishing styles, hemming, trimming, and assembling your garments.

Sewing 101

IN-PERSON

Learn the basics of sewing machine operation and safety. This session will cover machine setup, basic functions, threading the machine, reloading the bobbin, sewing straight stitches, and recognizing when stitch tension has gone awry.

Studio Recording 101

IN-PERSON

Are you interested in podcasting, audio production, or video production? The Hive has two state-of-the-art recording studios! Join this workshop to become familiar with studio equipment and software. You must complete The Hive Safety Training before registering.

Videography 101

IN-PERSON

Step into the Hive's state-of-the-art recording studio and film a short video of yourself in front of our green screen. Then, spend some time becoming familiar with video editing software while working with your footage.

Vinyl Cutting 101

IN-PERSON

Would you like to make your own vinyl signs, stickers, or images to transfer to T-shirts and other textiles? In this workshop, you can learn how to use our Roland Camm-1 GS-24 vinyl cutter. You can then design a sticker and cut it with our vinyl cutter! Registration required.

XR Lab 101

IN-PERSON

Extended reality (XR) opens the door to worlds and experiences outside the everyday through virtual reality, augmented reality, and mixed reality equipment. Test drive our Microsoft HoloLens augmented reality glasses, Structure Sensor 3D scanner, Merge headsets, and more.

Zing Laser Cutting 101

IN-PERSON

Learn how to use our Epilog Zing—an industry-standard laser cutting machine. Complete this workshop to earn a badge for the Zing laser cutter.



Hive Calendar - November 2023



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