

March 2022



EVENTS *at the* CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

PERFORMANCE

A Jazzy Afternoon with Abe Ovadia **VIRTUAL**

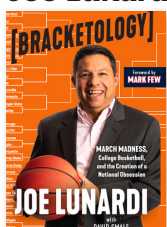


Saturday, March 5, 3-4 p.m.

Join us for a virtual performance by jazz guitar virtuoso Abe Ovadia. He holds a bachelor's degree from Berklee College of Music, and a master's from New York University's highly acclaimed jazz performance program. Said best by NEA Jazz Master Todd Barkan, "powerfully lyrical guitarist Abe Ovadia explores the inner and outer frontiers of some of the most heartfully expansive music of our age."

AUTHOR TALK

Joe Lunardi Presents: Bracketology in Conversation with Joe Sullivan **VIRTUAL**



Sunday, March 6, 3:30-5 p.m.

Join Joe Lunardi for a discussion of his predictive formula with former Boston Globe Sports Editor, Joe Sullivan. In his book *Bracketology March Madness, College Basketball, and the Creation of a National Obsession*, Joe Lunardi reveals the mystery and science behind his ever-

evolving predictive formula of the outcome of the NCAA College Basketball tournament. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation.

Workshops

Fuel For Life: Nutrition 101 for a Healthy Lifestyle **VIRTUAL**

Thursday, March 3 and 10, 7-8 p.m.

Join "Fuel For Life, LLC" for a deeper look into nutrition and its role on health.

3/3: The Gut-brain Connection

3/8: Healthy Snacking: Navigating the Grocery Store and Eating Out

Career Skills **VIRTUAL**

Tuesday, March 8 and 22, 6-7:30 p.m.

The Career Skills workshop series, presented by employment specialist Gary Gekow, will cover the fundamentals of job search strategies, from writing a strong resume to preparing for a virtual job interview.

3/8: Resume Writing

3/22: Online Job Search

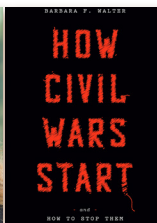
Jumpstart Your Financial Future: Decisions, Decisions! **VIRTUAL**

Tuesday, March 8, 7-8 p.m.

Join us to gain some important insights on how to make essential decisions on saving for retirement, choosing a health insurance plan and more when you start a new job. Presented by the Babson Financial Literacy Project.

OUR PATH FORWARD

Barbara F. Walter Presents How Civil Wars Start; in Conversation with Erica Chenoweth **VIRTUAL**



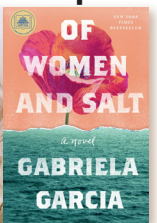
Wednesday, March 9, 6-7:30 p.m.

Leading political scientist Barbara F. Walter will discuss her new book *How Civil Wars Start and How to Stop Them* with Professor Erica Chenoweth. In this book, Walter

examines the dramatic rise in violent extremism around the globe and sounds the alarm on the increasing likelihood of a second civil war in the United States. The program is dedicated to the memory of the former Chair of the Library's Board of Trustees, Janet Axelrod. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation.

AUTHOR TALK

Gabriela Garcia presents *Of Women and Salt* **VIRTUAL**



Wednesday, March 16, 6-7:15 p.m.

Join us as Gabriela Garcia presents *Of Women and Salt*, a masterful debut about a daughter's fateful choice, a mother motivated by her past, and a family legacy that begins in Cuba before either of them were born. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation.

Frederick Douglass, Sojourner Truth, and Your Family Photos: Identifying African American Family Photos **VIRTUAL**

Wednesday, March 9, 12-1 p.m.

Join us for a workshop presented by Maureen Taylor, an internationally recognized expert on historic photograph identification and family history research, as we delve into the history of African American family portraits. We'll explore the 5 basic questions to ask about your photos and how to figure out the story in the image.

Urban Gardening: Seed Starting **VIRTUAL**

Wednesday, March 23, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Starting vegetable seeds at home helps you become a more self-sufficient gardener, save money and grow the food that you want. Learn where to source seeds, when to start and how to care for your seedlings. We'll cover standard and re-purposed materials you can use, go over best practices for light setups and troubleshoot common problems.

Mending Matters **VIRTUAL**

Wednesday, March 23, 6:30-8 p.m.

Learn how to get more life out of your clothes or put household textiles to new use in this monthly hands-on workshop! Teaching artist Jessamy Kilcollins will demonstrate different techniques each month and provide guidance on your projects. A limited number of supply kits will be available for registered participants to pick up at the Valente Branch (826 Cambridge St).

Lotus Flower Lantern Craft Workshop **VIRTUAL**

Saturday, March 26, 12-1:30 p.m.

Members of the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project will show step by step to make a lovely lotus flower lantern using colored paper and wire frames. Limited material kits (frame, petals, leaves, glue) will be available for pick up at the Main Library.

VIRTUAL Registration is required for all virtual events. Register online on our website.

Workshops FOR SENIORS

FOR
ADULTS
55+



Navigating Solo: Tools for Creating Your Plan for Aging Well VIRTUAL

Every other Thursday, 10:30-11:30 a.m.

March 3: How to Effectively Navigate the Healthcare System

March 17: The value of Advance Care Planning

March 31: Evaluating Your Support System

In partnership with Cambridge Neighbors.

Supported by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation.

Wellness for Seniors: Combo Dance Fitness and Let Your Yoga Dance VIRTUAL

Mondays, March 7-28, 11-11:45 a.m.

A fun, dynamic, and ultimately blissful combo. We start with some high-energy (low-impact) dance fitness, and then work our way through the seven energy centers (chakras) with Let Your Yoga Dance. You will leave with a good workout and a happy mind, body, and spirit. Good for everybody!

Adult Book Groups

Visit bit.ly/cplbookgroups or call the host library for more information about joining.

Main Library

Contemporary Book Group VIRTUAL

Tuesday, March 15, 6-7 p.m.

Heavy: *An American Memoir* by Kiese Laymon

Great Books Book Group VIRTUAL

Tuesday, March 8 & 22, 7-9 p.m.

3/8: Francis Bacon, selected essays

3/22: *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin

Nonfiction Book Group HYBRID

Monday, March 28, 1-2 p.m.

📍 Rossi Room, Main Library

Gods of the Upper Air by Charles King

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Group

VIRTUAL

Wednesday, March 9, 6-7 p.m.

Axiom's End by Lindsay Ellis

Branch Libraries

Boudreau Book Group HYBRID

Wednesday, March 9, 12-1 p.m.

📍 Boudreau Branch

Of Women and Salt by Gabriela Garcia

Cookbook Book Group VIRTUAL

Tuesday, March 1, 7-8 p.m.

Chinese Soul Food: A Friendly Guide for Homemade Dumplings, Stir-Fries, Soups, and More by Hsiao-Ching Chou

Collins Book Group VIRTUAL

Thursday, March 10, 6-7 p.m.

The Yellow House: A Memoir by Sarah Broom

O'Connell Book Group HYBRID

Tuesday, March 15, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

📍 O'Connell Branch

The Rose Code by Kate Quinn

O'Neill Branch Book Group HYBRID

Monday, March 14, 6:30-8 p.m.

📍 O'Neill Branch

Daughter of Fortune by Isabel Allende

Reading Together Book Group HYBRID

Monday, March 28, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

📍 Valente Branch

We choose the theme, you choose the book!

March theme: Debut Authors

HYBRID Hybrid events are offered virtually and in-person. Register online for virtual attendance on our website.

Literacy Center

For more information call Maria Balestrieri at 617-349-4013. *No classes are held on days the library is closed.*

Beginner ESOL VIRTUAL

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-2 p.m.

High Beginner ESOL VIRTUAL

Wednesdays and Fridays,
10:30 a.m.-noon

Intermediate ESOL VIRTUAL

Tuesdays and Thursdays,
11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3-4 p.m.

Resume and Job Application Support

Wednesdays, 1-3 p.m.

📍 Literacy Center, Central Square Branch

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Read to a Dog

Wednesday, March 16 and 30, 3-4 p.m.

📍 O'Neill Branch

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 opens a week before each session. Register by calling or visiting the O'Neill Branch.



Pineapple Project VIRTUAL

Monday, March 21, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a fun and engaging original show that explores gender, creativity, and each child's freedom to be who they are. Recommended for children ages 4-8.

Make Your Mark VIRTUAL

Wednesday, March 23 and 30, 4- 5:00 p.m.

Zahirah Nur Truth of ZNT Arts will be leading a fun hands on 2 part workshop. We will be using everyday found objects at home to create texture, to explore creativity and leave an impression. How do you want to make your mark?

Family STEAM Night - Kitchen Scrap Gardening VIRTUAL

Wednesday, March 23, 6:30 PM - 7:15 p.m.

Families with elementary school age children join us virtually for hands-on activities focused on Science, Technology, Arts, Engineering, and Math. We will be preparing for the Spring and exploring kitchen scrap gardening using materials you have at home.

Paper Bead Making with Alex Makes Art VIRTUAL

Friday, March 25, 4-5 p.m.

Allow Alex Makes Art to bring some color into your weekly schedule! We will be using everyday household items to create projects that are modifiable for all ages.

REGULAR PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

We invite children and their grown-ups to join us for story times and sing-alongs, both virtual and in-person. Outdoor programs will be cancelled in the event of inclement weather. Please check our website for programming updates and additions or call 617-349-4038 for more information. No programs are held on days the library is closed.

VIRTUAL

Baby Lapsit

Mondays, 10-10:30 a.m.

Pajama Story Time

Presented by the Cambridge Public Library and the Center for Families.

Wednesday, March 30

6:45-7:30 p.m.

📍 Main Library

Outdoor Songs and Stories

Tuesdays, 11-11:20 a.m.

Wednesdays, 11-11:20 a.m.

Thursdays, 11-11:20 a.m.

Thursdays, 4-4:20 p.m.

📍 O'Connell Branch

Outdoor Story Time

Thursdays, 3:30-4 p.m.

Fridays, 11-11:30 a.m.

📍 O'Neill Branch

Outdoor Songs and Stories

Mondays, 10:30-10:50 a.m.

📍 Valente Branch

Outdoor Story Time

Mondays, 4-4:30 p.m.

Tuesdays, 11-11:30 a.m.

📍 Central Square Branch

Outdoor Story Time

Wednesdays, 10:30-11 a.m.

Thursdays, 10:30-11 a.m.

📍 Collins Branch

Outdoor Story Time

Tuesdays, 10:30-11 a.m.

KIDS BOOK GROUPS

Let's talk about a book together! Register online at bit.ly/cplbookgroups

Main Library

Join us virtually for a lively discussion.

For a copy of the book, stop by the

Children's Room or call 617-349-4038.

Branch Libraries

Please pick up a copy of the book

beforehand at the host Branch.

Books Not Binaries **VIRTUAL**

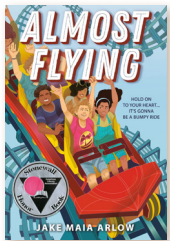
Wednesday, March 2,

6-7 p.m.

(Ages 11-14)

Almost Flying by Jake

Maia Arlow



Book Buzz **HYBRID**

Monday, March 7,
3:30-4:30 p.m.

📍 O'Neill

For ages 10 and up.

The Last Cuentista by

Donna Barba Higuera



Parent/Child Book Group **VIRTUAL**

Tuesday, March 8,
6-7 p.m.

For ages 7-10 and a
parent or caregiver.

The Royal Rabbits

of London by Santa

Montefiore and Simon

Sebag Montefiore



Chapter Chat

HYBRID

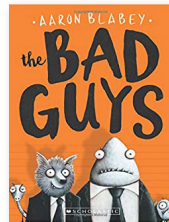
Thursday, March 17,
4-5 p.m.

📍 O'Neill

For ages 7-10.

The Bad Guys by Aaron

Blabey



Parent/Child Book Group **VIRTUAL**

Wednesday, March 9,
6-7 p.m.

For ages 10-13 and a
parent or caregiver.

Skulduggery Pleasant

by Derek Landy



Magic Tree House

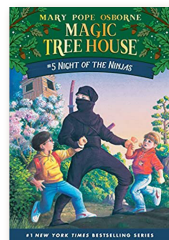
Book Group **VIRTUAL**

Friday, March 4, 4-5 p.m.

For ages 5-10.

Night of the Ninjas by

Mary Pope Osborne



Need a laptop or hotspot to attend a virtual event?

Call the Library to check out our Takeout Tech!

Chromebook Laptop
Available at all Library locations

Mobile Hotspot
Available at all Library locations

Chromebook + Hotspot Bundle
Available at all Library locations

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STEAM

The Hive



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.

Check out our March workshops and go online to camb.ma/cplhive to see the latest schedule and register for workshops.

HIVE SAFETY TRAINING VIRTUAL

In this workshop, you will learn about our makerspace, how to use our resources, and how to keep safe in The Hive.

Tuesday, March 1, 2:30-3 p.m.
Wednesday, March 2, 1-1:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8, 8-8:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 10, 2:30-3 p.m.
Friday, March 11, 3:30-4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 16, 2-3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 22, 6:30-7 p.m.
Tuesday, March 29, 2:30-3 p.m.
Wednesday, March 30, 1-1:30 p.m.

3D MODELING WITH TINKERCAD VIRTUAL

Learn the fundamentals of Tinkercad to design and edit objects for 3D printing. Tinkercad is a free, web-based application. Basic computer skills are necessary for this course. Registration is required. This course is open to all audiences. You do not need to take Hive Safety Training before attending this virtual workshop.

Thursday, March 3, 7-8 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8, 3-4 p.m.
Wednesday, March 16, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 24, 6-7 p.m.
Thursday, March 31, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

GRAPHIC DESIGN WITH GOOGLE DRAWINGS

VIRTUAL

Interested in graphic design? Learn the fundamentals of using Google Drawings to design and edit your own distinctive images. Google Drawings is a free web-based application. Basic computer skills and a free Gmail account are necessary for this course. Registration is required. This course is open to all audiences. You do not need to take Hive Safety Training before attending this virtual workshop.

Friday, March 4, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 8, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9, 1:30-2:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 24, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

AUDIO ENGINEERING IN GARAGEBAND

VIRTUAL

Get started with audio editing for podcasts, music, audiobooks, and other creative sound projects using GarageBand, the sound creation software found on Mac and iOS devices. You will become familiar with the GarageBand interface, explore the basics of audio engineering, and learn about more resources and tools you can use at home and in the Hive to create with sound. This course is open to all audiences. You do not need to take Hive Safety Training before attending this virtual workshop.

Thursday, March 17, 2-3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 22, 7:30-8:30 p.m.
Friday, March 25, 3:30-4:30 p.m.

EQUIPMENT AND STUDIO RESERVATIONS

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.

Tuesday, March 1, 6-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 2, 2:30-5 p.m.
Thursday, March 3, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 5, 1-3 p.m.
Wednesday, March 9, 3-5 p.m.
Thursday, March 10, 6-8:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 12, 12-3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 15, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 17, 6-8:30 p.m.
Friday, March 18, 1-4:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 19, 12-3 p.m.
Saturday, March 26, 11-3 p.m.
Tuesday, March 29, 6-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 30, 2:30-5 p.m.

LIBRARY LOCATIONS

Boudreau Branch

245 Concord Ave. | 617-349-4017
MON 10-6, TUE 10-8, WED 10-6,
FRI 10-6

Central Square Branch

45 Pearl St. | 617-349-4010
MON 10-6, TUE 10-9, WED 10-6,
THU 10-9, FRI 10-6, SAT 10-2

Collins Branch

64 Aberdeen Ave. | 617-349-4021
MON 10-6, TUE 10-6, FRI 10-6

Main Library

449 Broadway | 617-349-4040
MON 9-9, TUE 9-9, WED 9-9,
THU 9-9, FRI 9-5, SAT 9-5, SUN 1-5

O'Connell Branch

48 Sixth St. | 617-349-4019
MON 10-6, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8,
THU 10-8, FRI 10-6

O'Neill Branch

70 Rindge Ave. | 617-349-4023
MON 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-6,
FRI 10-6

Valente Branch

826 Cambridge St. | 617-349-4015
MON 10-8, TUE 10-6, WED 10-8,
THU 10-6, FRI 10-6, SAT 1-5

All locations are accessible by public

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.

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cambridgepubliclibrary.org

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[@cambridgepl](https://twitter.com/cambridgepl)



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