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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Preschool Pals @ 10am Stitch Craft @ 10am Evening Non-Fiction Book Group @ 6pm	2 Move & Groove @ 10am 3 Garden Play Festival @ 1-3pm
5 Sensory Storytime @ 10am	6 Drop-In Tech Help @ 10am Teen Manga Club @ 3:30pm	7 Toddler Time @ 10am Drop-In Tech Help @ 2pm	8 Preschool Pals @ 10am		10 Library Closed for Carpet Installation
12 Sensory Storytime @ 10am	13 Drop-In Tech Help @ 10am	14 Toddler Time @ 10am Drop-In Tech Help @ 2pm Mystery Book Club @ 4pm	15 Preschool Pals @ 10am Stitch Craft @ 10am	16 Move & Groove @ 10am	17
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Storytimes

Move & Groove

Friday, June 2 & 16

10am

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Newborns-age 6

Let's get moving! In this program we'll use scarves, musical instruments, a parachute, and other fun surprises to dance, play, and get those wiggles out! Best suited for newborns to age 6, in the Laconia Rotary Hall.



Sensory Storytime

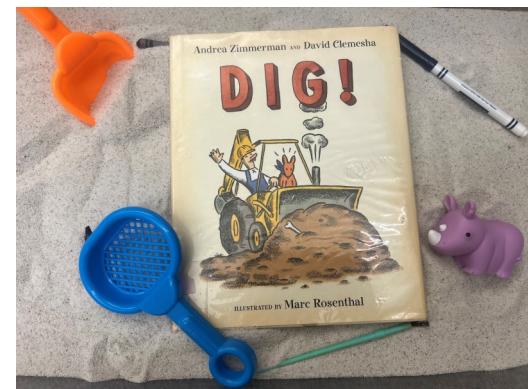
Monday, June 5 & 12

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Newborns-age 6

Monday's are for messy play at Sensory Storytime! Join us at 10am for songs, stories, and sensory bin fun followed by an engaging art activity. This program is suited for newborns to age 6 in the Selig Storytime Room.



Toddler Time

Wednesday, June 7 & 14

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Newborns-age 3

Toddler Time is a fun-filled hour geared toward newborns and toddlers. We'll sing songs, move our bodies, read stories, and do a craft each week! Younger or older siblings are always welcome. Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Wednesdays at 10am.



Preschool Pals

Thursday, June 1, 8 & 15

10am

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-6

Preschool Pals is geared toward Preschool aged kiddos (3-6 years old). Join us for singing, dancing, crafting, and of course, we'll be reading some great books! Younger or older siblings are always welcome. Join us in the Selig Storytime Room Thursdays at 10am.



Saturday Programs



Garden Play Festival!

Saturday, June 3

1-3pm

Library Garden

Adults

Original short plays written by participants in the Fall 2022 Powerhouse Playwriting Festival, and specifically designed to be performed in a garden setting, will take place in the “secret” garden behind the Laconia Public Library. All ages welcome. No sign-up required.

Rain location: Laconia Rotary Hall.



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Family Drop-In Craft: Mister Seahorse Paint Marbling

Saturday, June 24

10am-12pm

Selig Storytime Room

Best for ages 3-12

It's amazing what you can do with a little shaving cream and food coloring! Make a beautiful design in your shaving cream and create a unique painted seahorse! Drop into the Selig Storytime Room from 10 am to noon. Best for ages 3-12.



Play Based Learning at the Library

Did you know that children gain critical learning and life skills through play? We have been extremely fortunate to reap the benefits of not one, but THREE grants, which have enabled us to add many play-based educational experiences to our Children's Room.

Many of these items are available all day, and others are brought out during Storytimes and other Library programs.

Come in and check out our many opportunities for children to have fun while acquiring invaluable knowledge!



Teen Programs

Teen Manga Club

Tuesday, June 6

3:30pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 12-18

Love all things Manga? Join us to discuss your favorites and help pick what the library will buy next! Snacks provided, for ages 12-18 in Laconia Rotary Hall.



Celebrate with S'mores!

Monday, June 19

1pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Ages 9-18

Celebrate the end of the school year with S'mores and a game of Giant Jenga! For ages 9-18 in Laconia Rotary Hall.



Genre-fication of the Teen Room!

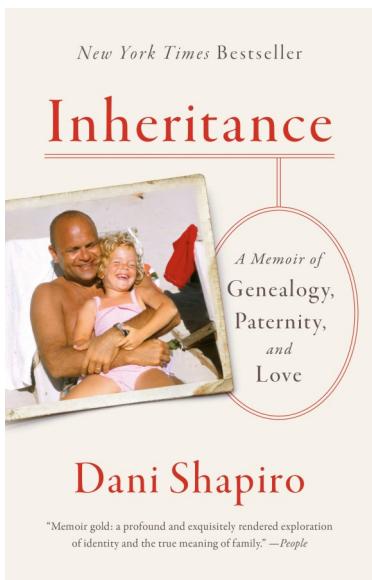
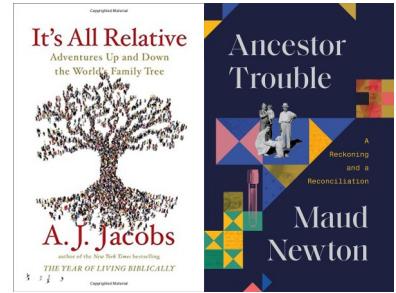
YA Fiction books are now labeled under their genre first, then by the author. Instantly find read-a-likes to your favorite books, or browse away!



Book Clubs

Climbing the Family Tree

Climb the family tree with the Evening Non-Fiction Book Group. We will be reading a selection of books exploring genealogy, what it means to be family, and the complexity of ancestry.



Evening Non-Fiction Book Group: *Inheritance: A Memoir of Genealogy, Paternity, and Love* by Dani Shapiro

Thursday, June 1

6pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

In the spring of 2016, through a genealogy website to which she had whimsically submitted her DNA for analysis, Dani Shapiro received the stunning news that her father was not her biological father. She woke up one morning and her entire history—the life she had lived—crumbled beneath her. *Inheritance* is a gripping exploration of identity, biology, and what it means to be family when deeply held secrets begin to unravel.

Sign-up for the book group is required, copies of the book are available at the Library—call (603) 524-4775 or email info@laconialibrary.org to register; held in Laconia Rotary Hall.

Future Meetings will be held:

7/6: *It's All Relative: Adventures Up and Down the World's Family Tree* by A.J. Jacobs

8/10: *Ancestor Trouble: A Reckoning and Reconciliation* by Maud Newton

Mystery Book Club: "The Thursday Murder Club" by Richard Osman

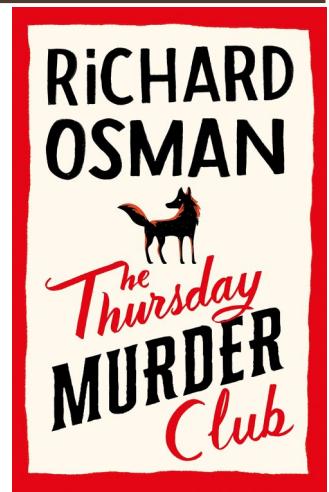
Wednesday, June 14

4pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

In a peaceful retirement village, four unlikely friends meet up once a week to investigate unsolved murders. But when a brutal killing takes place on their very doorstep, the Thursday Murder Club find themselves in the middle of their first live case. Elizabeth, Joyce, Ibrahim, and Ron might be pushing eighty but they still have a few tricks up their sleeves.



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Adult Programs

Drop-In Tech Help

Tuesdays @ 10 am

Wednesdays @ 2 pm

Volpe Room

Adults

Drop in during our hour of technical help and have your basic computer and electronic device questions answered by a librarian. Held most Tuesdays at 10am and most Wednesdays at 2pm, in the Volpe Room; check our event calendar to confirm dates.



Stitch Craft

Thursday, June 1, 15 & 29

10-11:30am

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults



Bring your current project to this informal meet-up and make progress on your creation while in the company of other fiber enthusiasts. Knitters, crocheters, quilters, embroiderers, needle-felters; ALL are welcome! No sign-up required.

Family, Memory, Place: Writing Family Stories

Thursday, June 29

6pm

Laconia Rotary Hall (Auditorium)

Adults

What family stories do you carry with you? What story do you tell over and over? What landscape do you cherish the most? One of the deepest human instincts is to tell our life stories, to figure out who we are and what it means to be human.



Join us for an interactive writing workshop led by Maura MacNeil; this interactive workshop explores how the landscapes of our lives shape the stories that we tell. Participants explore the themes of family, memory, and place through sample narratives and a series of short writing exercises, gaining a deeper awareness of how their stories can preserve personal, generational, and communal history.

Maura MacNeil is a published author, editor, and teacher.



This event is made possible by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities and is free and open to the public.

Publishing in June

Adult Books Coming Soon

Adult Non-Fiction

- *The Questions That Matter Most: Reading, Writing, and the Exercise of Freedom* by Jane Smiley (Release date: 6/6)
- *The Last Ride of the Pony Express: My 2,000-mile Horseback Journey into the Old West* by Will Grant (Release date: 6/6)
- *In Other Words, Leadership: How a Young Mother's Weekly Letters to Her Governor Helped Both Women Brave the First Pandemic Year* by Shannon A. Mullen (Release date: 6/6)
- *Never Give Up: A Prairie Family's Story* by Tom Brokaw (Release date: 6/13)

- *Killers Amidst Killers: Hunting Serial Killers Operating Under the Cloak of America's Opioid Epidemic* by Billy Jensen (Release date: 6/20)

Adult Fiction

- *The Five-star Weekend* by Elin Hilderbrand (Release date: 6/13)
- *Cross Down* by James Patterson and Brendan DuBois (Release date: 6/5)
- *Near Miss* by Stuart Woods and Brett Battles (Release date: 6/6)
- *The Survivor* by Iris Johansen (Release date: 6/6)
- *Zero Days* by Ruth Ware (Release date: 6/20)



Teen Books Coming Soon

- *Something More* by Jackie Kahlilieh (Release date: 6/6)
- *Take* by Jennifer Bradbury (Release date: 6/6)
- *Borrow My Heart* by Kasie West (Release date: 6/13)
- *Garden of the Cursed* by Katy Rose Pool (Release date: 6/20)
- *Gloria Buenrostro is Not My Girlfriend* by Brandon Hoang (Release date: 6/27)
- *Someone You Loved* by Robin Constantine (Release date: 6/27)

To place a hold, email info@laconialibrary.org or fill out this form: <https://www.laconianh.gov/FormCenter/Laconia-Public-Library-6/Patron-Request-Form-72>



Children's Books Coming Soon

J Fiction

- *The Horseback Librarians* by Jane Yolen (Release date: 6/6)
- *Rebel Undercover* by Lisa McMann (Release date: 6/6)
- *Burt the Beetle Lives Here!* by Ashley Spires (Release date: 6/6)
- *How to Count to One: And Don't Even Think About Bigger Numbers!* by Casper Salmon and Matt Hunt (Release date: 6/6)
- *The Not-so-chosen One* by Andrew Auseon (Release date: 6/6)

J Non-Fiction

- *Eyewitness National Parks* by DK books (Release date: 6/6)
- *What was World War I?* by Nico Medina (Release date: 6/6)
- *Moving the Millers' Minnie Moore Mine Mansion* by Dave Eggers and Julia Sarda (Release date 6/6)
- *The Deep: Wild Life at the Ocean's Darkest Depths* by Lindsey Leigh (Release date: 6/27)
- *Before Colors: Where Pigments and Dyes Come From* by Annette Bay Pimentel (Release date: 6/6)

Book Awards



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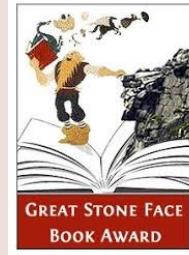
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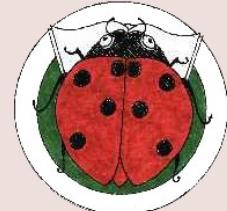
2023 nominees for the Great Stone Face Book Award

- *Carry Me Home* by Janet Fox
- *Chunky* by Yehudi Mercado
- *Allergic* by Megan Wagner Lloyd
- *Alone in the Woods* by Rebecca Behrens
- *Better with Butter* by Victoria Piontek
- *The Stolen Prince of Cloudburst* by Jaclyn Moriarty
- *Trouble in the Stars* by Sarah Prineas
- *Tune It Out* by Jamie Sumner
- *Secondhand Dogs* by Carolyn Crimi
- *The Shape of Thunder* by Jasmine Warga
- *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold
- *Long Lost* by Jacqueline West
- *The Elephant in the Room* by Holly Goldberg Sloan
- *The Haunted Mustache* by Joe McGee
- *The In-Between* by Rebecca Ansari
- *Operation Do-Over* by Gordon Korman
- *A Place at the Table* by Saadia Faruqi and Laura Shovan
- *A Place to Hang the Moon* by Kate Albus
- *Voyage of the Sparrowhawk* by Natasha Farrant
- *What Comes Next* by Rob Buyea



The Great Stone Face Book Award is sponsored by the Children's Librarians of New Hampshire (CHILIS) and is given each year to an author whose book receives the most votes from fourth through sixth graders throughout the state.

2023 nominees for the Ladybug Picture Book Award



- *Big Truck, Little Island* by Chris Van Dusen
- *Cat Problems* by Jory John and Lane Smith
- *Chez Bob* by Bob Shea
- *Dozens of Doughnuts* by Carrie Finison and Brianne Farley
- *Farmhouse* by Sophie Blackall
- *Hardly Haunted* by Jessie Sima
- *If You Find a Leaf* by Aimee Sicuro
- *Knight Owl* by Christopher Denise
- *Noodle and the No Bones Day* by Jonathan Graziano and Dan Tavis
- *Pizza: A Slice of History* by Greg Pizzoli

New Hampshire children, from preschool to third grade, will select the winning picture book when they vote in November 2023. The deadline for sending in votes will be Sunday, December 17, 2023 at 11:30pm.