Keep Up with Our Services on the Library Website
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The Nesmith Library website is our home for all kinds of digital content, including all of our updates as we navigate safely providing services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Visitors to our website can use three pages on our website to keep up with our services:

➢ Open the **COVID-19 Updates & Sources** block for weekly updates about our services while temporarily closed, and links to the State of New Hampshire, Town of Windham, and Windham School District pages with their COVID updates. This page shows a timeline of our updates since March 2020, showing our progress from having to close to safely reopening certain services.

➢ Open the **Curbside Borrowing** block for instructions and procedures to participate in Curbside Borrowing. Currently, we offer pickup Monday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Library staff are in the building to answer phone calls and help you place holds Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

➢ Visit the **Phased Reopening** page for the current state of our services, including our new Reopening Rainbow graphic showing our current status and the phases we may move forward or back into depending on community safety recommendations. As opposed to the timeline on the COVID-19 Updates & Sources page, the Phased Reopening page clearly and concisely summarizes our current services at a glance.

Thank you for your patience as we continually assess the safety of our services!

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**Nesmith Library - Phases of Reopening**

- **RED**: Building closed to the public, Staff working remotely from home, No circulation of materials, Book drop closed, Virtual programs, Staff answering email/social only, Online services available, some expanded!

- **ORANGE**: Building closed to the public, Staff working in the building, No checkout of materials, Book drop open, Virtual programs, Staff answering phone questions, plus email/social

- **YELLOW**: Building closed to the public, Curbside Borrowing for circulation, printing, copying, Book drop open, Virtual & pick up kit programs, Staff answering phone questions, plus email/social, Limited contactless outreach

- **GREEN**: Building open for restricted browsing (Children’s Room remains closed), Face coverings required, Curbside Borrowing still available, Book drop open, Virtual & pick up kit programs, outdoor programs possible, Meeting Rooms available, Normal library programming

- **BLUE**: Building open: full public services, no appointments, Face coverings not longer required, Meeting Rooms open for programs and public groups, Normal in person circulation, interior book drop open as well as exterior

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Call Us with Questions: (603) 432-7154
Nesmith Library is in this phase
Town of Windham (some public services)
www.nesmithlibrary.org
August Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter, Adult Programming Librarian

Adult Summer Reading Program

We’re more than half way through the summer and only a few weeks away from the close of our Adult Summer Reading Program! We’ve been tracking our reading by playing bingo, and if you are a fast reader, it’s not too late to join us. Just a reminder of the rules: In order to participate, you must be a Nesmith Library card holder (18 and older), and you must register first. Please go our website to register, or call the library at 432-7154. Just for registering, you’ll be entered into a drawing for one of two $25 gift cards to The Kitchen at Windham Junction. For each 5-square line (horizontally, vertically, or diagonally) that you have filled in, you will earn one entry (up to 12 entries for a completely filled-in card) into the Grand Prize drawing of one of three gift baskets, each of which will include a $50 gift card to The Bookery in Manchester! A big thank you to the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) for generously sponsoring our prizes! When you have at least one 5-square line completed, you can either email a copy of your bingo card to me at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org, or drop off your card at the library either by using the book drop or by calling us to let us know that you are here. One card per person, please, and book titles may only be used once per card. This program runs from June 29 through August 14, and all prizes will be drawn on or about August 17.

Nesmith Library Book Group

The Nesmith Library Book Group will meet virtually on Wednesday, August 12, and this month we’ve been reading The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson.

I’ll be emailing the link to the Zoom meeting the week of August 10. If you didn’t have a chance to read the book, no worries! Come to the meeting and start with our next book (title to be revealed shortly!) and mark your calendar. We meet every second Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. In order to participate, you must have a Nesmith Library card or a card from one of the libraries in our consortium, you need to be over the age of 16, and you must register. Email me at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org or call the library to register.

Floral Watercolor Painting Workshop

For adult-aged beginning painters and beyond, on Wednesday, August 5 at 6:00 p.m., discover the amazing characteristics of the watercolor medium by experimenting with its fluid nature. Local artist Tif Farmakis-Day will lead us in a virtual watercolor class. Working from observation and the imagination, students will learn to “let loose,” relax, and embrace the process while creating their own floral watercolor piece. Techniques covered will include “alla prima” and the painterly style – letting the paint flow while simultaneously controlling it and taking advantage of “happy accidents.” In our virtual Zoom classroom, we will follow along with Tif as she demonstrates creating a watercolor iris, or you can paint your own floral arrangement.

The photo reference Tif works from along with paints, brushes, and watercolor paper will be available for pick up at the library prior to the workshop. Be amazed at what you can create with just a few simple brushstrokes! To see Tif’s amazing art, check out her website at www.tifdoesart.com. This virtual workshop is for Nesmith Library card holders ages 18 and up, and supplies are limited to the first 20 registrants. If you register after all our supply kits are reserved, you are still welcome to attend the virtual program using your own watercolors to follow along! Please visit our website for the supply list and to register. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining.
the webinar and follow-up email from me about picking up your supplies.

Trivia Night
On Thursday, August 13 at 6:00 p.m., we wrap up our Adult Summer Reading program with a virtual Trivia Night! Play from the comfort of your home, and enjoy an adult beverage, if you wish!

Answer sheets will be emailed to registrants to be printed at home, or call the library to pick them up here. Registration can be done through our website. This program is for ages 18 and up, and registration is required.

Trivia Night

To register for these virtual programs, go online by visiting www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar.
If you have any questions about registration, please call the Nesmith Library at 432-7154 or email Maria at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org.

Evening Storytime
Azra Palo, Head of Youth Services
Join us for some tall tales and legends. We’ll be streaming on August 5 at 6:00 p.m. on Facebook Live. Want to check it out, but don’t think you’re going to be able to make the time? No worries, the video will be available on our Facebook page after!

No registration required. All ages welcome.

Questions? Call the library at 432-7154 and speak to Azra, Molly, or Chris in our Youth Services department for more information or email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org, Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org or Chris at csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org. Or check out our website www.nesmithlibrary.org.

Summer Reading Finale!
Azra Palo
All ages are welcome to join the library virtually for our annual Summer Reading Finale Party with Magic by Fred at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 6. We will go LIVE on Facebook and everyone can join in the fun! No registration required.

Learn more about Magic by Fred on his website: www.magicfredshow.com.

If you miss it, you can still catch the recording after the event.

Remember to stop by the library for your finale bag too!

NOTES
Our Summer Reading Program and its many events are made possible in large part by FLOW.
Earn tickets by reading and attending events with the Beanstack app.
Check out our summer reading website for more information: https://nesmithlibrary.org/2020-childrens-summer-reading-program.

Computer Appointments Now Available
You can now book a time slot for computer use at the Nesmith Library. Appointments are limited to one hour per person per day. Please arrive at the front door at the scheduled time and a staff member will let you in. Face coverings are required at all times while inside the building. Hand sanitizer is available at the front door. Due to social distancing, staff assistance may be unavailable. Ask any questions when making your appointment, so we can provide the best level of safe service for everyone.
From the Virtual Children’s Room

Azra Palo

Toddler Story Time
Mondays 10:30 a.m.
Facebook Live

Has your little guy been missing Ms. Chris? She’s been missing all of you! Join us virtually for a Facebook Live or recorded Toddler Time where Ms. Chris will be sharing our favorite books, rhymes, and songs.

No registration necessary. Ages 12 to 24 months with caregiver.

Questions? Email Chris at csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org or Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org with any questions!

Magical Mondays: Hogwarts
Monday, August 3 at 2:30 p.m.
Facebook Live

Get creative with our take away craft from the Nesmith Library! Stop by the library on Tuesday, August 4 for your last chance to grab a take home craft.

Call the library at 432-7154 when you are at the library, and we will put the craft out for your child. The craft is only available on August 4.

No registration necessary. Supplies are limited. All ages.

Busy Bees Baby Storytime
Wed., August 5 at 10:30 a.m.
Facebook Live

Busy Bees Baby Storytime is for newborns to 18 months, but anyone can enjoy these songs and rhymes online. Every week on Wednesday we will share on our Nesmith Library Facebook page a new live or pre-recorded video at 10:30 a.m. of fun ways to get you and your little one moving and singing.

No registration necessary.
Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

The Online Teen Scene

Azra Palo

Harry Potter Herbology
Monday, August 3 at 6:00 p.m.
Instagram Live

Professor Sprout requests your presence at this Teen Herbology class on Monday, August 3 at 6:00 p.m. to learn all about succulents! On Instagram Live, Molly will be virtually guiding you on how to plant your own little succulent garden complete with containers that you’ll decorate! Pick up your kit at the library on August 3, starting at 10:00 a.m., while supplies last. No registration is required. For grades 7-12.

Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Teen Wrap Up Party/Poetry Slam
Thur., August 13 at 2:00 p.m.
Zoom

This is a virtual program. It will be held via Zoom. Register online, or
email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org for more information.

Registration is required. For grades 7-12.

Summer is coming to a close which means the end of our Summer Reading Program. Join us for our first virtual Poetry Slam on Thursday, August 13 at 2:00 pm. We’ll be sharing works that Windham teens have submitted throughout the summer and voting on the winner.

**WHS Reading Groups**
Dates Vary, 3:00 p.m.
Zoom

This is a virtual program. It will be held via Zoom. Click here to register for this program.

Every summer Windham High School assigns books that students must read for the upcoming school year. To help you get ready to discuss them when you go back to school, we will be offering book groups for the 9th, 11th, and 12th grade titles. We’ll talk about important themes and provide support for constructing your report, but we will also have fun while we do it. Take advantage of this great opportunity to get help with your summer assignment!

Online registration is required.

Sessions begin at 3:00 p.m. on various dates. See the calendar below for dates.

Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org for more information.

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**FLOW General Meeting**

**Sandy Sun,**
FLOW

The annual general Friends of the Library of Windham meeting will be held on Friday, August 31 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. All current members are invited to attend. Check the FLOW website, www.flowwindham.org/, as the date approaches to get a link to the Zoom meeting.

**Dates to Remember**

| 8/3 | Virtual Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m.; Virtual/Pickup Magical Mondays: Hogwarts, 2:30 p.m.; Virtual/Pickup Teen Herbology: Succulents Edition, 6:00 p.m. |
| 8/4 | Children’s Take Away Craft, 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. |
| 8/5 | Virtual Busy Bees Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Virtual Evening Storytime, 6:00 p.m.; Virtual/Pickup Floral Watercolor Painting Workshop, 6:00 p.m. |
| 8/6 | Virtual Children’s Summer Reading Finale Party with Magic by Fred, 10:30 a.m. |
| 8/10 | Virtual Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m. |
| 8/12 | Virtual Nesmith Library Book Group, 6:30 p.m. |
| 8/13 | Virtual Teen Summer Reading Wrap Party Poetry Slam, 2:00 p.m.; Virtual Adult Summer Reading Wrap Party: Trivia Night, 6:00 p.m. |
| 8/18 | Virtual Windham High School Reading Group – 9th Grade, 3:00 p.m.; Library Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m. |
| 8/19 | Virtual Windham High School Reading Group – 9th Grade, 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/20 | Virtual Windham High School Reading Group – 11th Grade, 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/21 | Virtual Windham High School Reading Group – 12th Grade, 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/31 | Virtual FLOW Meeting, 6:30 p.m. |