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## Digital Resource Updates for 2022

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Chelsea Paige,  
*Social Media / Digital Literacy Librarian*

Now live: Assabet Interactive is our new platform for reserving museum passes.

Temporarily in 2020 and 2021, patrons were able to log in and access Ancestry Library Edition from home, but as of December 31, 2021, home access has ended. You can still use Ancestry from within Nesmith Library on your own device or on one of our public computers, and you can continue to access

HeritageQuest Online from home for genealogy research.

Our access to Mango Languages will end in early January now that we are debuting a new language learning resource, Transparent Language Online! We invite everyone, including existing Mango users, to try out Transparent and take advantage of the full features of 100+ languages with in depth lessons and

practice modules.

Download the Transparent app to start learning on the go!

Please reach out if we can assist you with any of our digital resources. Digital Literacy Librarian Chelsea will be happy to make an appointment to work with you on your own device or a library computer to give you a tour of our digital resources or assist with access questions.

## January Adult Programming

*Maria Schroeter,  
Adult Collection Development /  
Adult Programming Librarian*

### Black Bear Happenings



This is a live, in-person program taking place indoors at Nesmith Library. Masks are required for everyone entering the building.

Registration is required. Please sign up on our website [www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org) once per person who will attend. We have limited capacity.

The black bear is one of New Hampshire's largest and most majestic mammals. On Tuesday, January 18 at 6:00 p.m., visit Nesmith Library to learn about their history from Don Allen, Fish and Wildlife Steward with the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. The presence of the black bear in modern New Hampshire is a wildlife restoration success story. In the 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries, the black bear was reviled as a varmint, so

aggressive land clearing, bounties, and zero hunting regulations depleted their numbers to just 500 by the year 1900. However, the combination of science-based wildlife management, research, and carefully regulated hunting has allowed the state's bear population to grow to nearly 5,000 animals just in the past decade. Now they can be found in all counties of New Hampshire! Come and hear the story of the black bear coming back from the edge of being lost to New Hampshire.

### Chunky Hand Knit Throw Craft



This is a live, in-person program taking place indoors at Nesmith Library.

Registration is required. Please sign up at [www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org).

Get your craft on at the Nesmith Library on Wednesday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m., when local knitter Rhenea Regan will teach us to hand knit a chunky throw. This technique doesn't use needles, just your hands and a table! Attendees need to bring their own yarn, four skeins of Chenille Chunky Yarn (Super Bulky 6) (31.7 yards/8 oz.) like the Mainstays brand sold at WalMart, or four skeins of Bernat Blanket Big Yarn (32 yards/10.6 oz.) sold at Michaels.

Masks are required for everyone entering the Nesmith Library building. Please refrain from attending if you are experiencing symptoms of sickness, including cough, cold, and flu. Thank you for helping us to continue providing our full services as safely as possible.

Adult programs are for ages 16 and up (unless otherwise noted).

For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact Maria at [mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org) or call the library at 603-432-7154.

## Employment Opportunity: Library Associate

This is a part-time, 12-15 hour/week position that requires some weekdays and weekend hours in a rotating schedule.

The library associate will be responsible for delivery of

friendly, high-quality public service in a public library setting. Primary responsibility is greeting the public, checking in and checking out library materials, processing library

card applications, assisting with other library services, and answering questions both in person and over the phone. For full details on the position, visit [www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org).

## Maybe Don't Buy a 2022 Calendar...

Molly Pevna,  
Youth/Teen Services Librarian

...until you see the trailer! It's a new year, we got this! We have some fresh teen programs happening this month.

January is rough for everyone between the cold and the snow (and everything else!), so why not come pick up your **Self Care Kit** on Tuesday, January 25. These can be picked up starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Teen Area.

We'll also be having our **Tween Game and Make**

program happening on Wednesday, January 19 at 3:30 p.m. Come play some video games and make a craft!



As always, we'll be having our monthly **Teen Advisory Group** (TAG) meeting the second Tuesday of the month, Tuesday, January 11 at 6:30 p.m.

If you want to learn more about TAG or any of these programs (or just want to chat!) feel free to email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

## News from Nesmith Library Youth Services

Azra Palo,  
Head of Youth Services

### 1000 Books Before Kindergarten



Since the middle of September 2021, over 50 young Nesmith Library patrons have registered for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten! Every 100 books earns the child a fun prize. For more information about how you can register on Beanstack, please see our website or email Azra Palo, our Head of Youth Services, at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org) to get started.

### Eric the Elf



The Nesmith Library would like to thank Eric DeLong (Town of Windham IT Director) for creating once again an amazing display of Legos for our cabinet next to the front desk. Many children (and adults!) have enjoyed working on the scavenger hunt. Eric was also part of our monthly STEAM

program and our Eric the Elf Lego event. We can't wait for next year, Eric!

### Youth Unusual Items



Look for more youth unusual items at the Nesmith Library! We are adding more STEAM related items including a Snap Circuit and more kits including a yoga one. The library is constantly adding to our puzzle collection as well. Available items are on display near the main circulation desk and can be placed on hold by Nesmith Library cardholders.

## Storytime and Monthly Children's Events

Azra Palo

### Storytime Session #3



Tuesday, January 18 to  
Friday, February 18.

Registration starts Monday, January 10 at 9:00 a.m. for Storytime Session #3. Check out our social media, online newsletter, and website for upcoming details or email Azra Palo, our Head of Youth Services, at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org) for more details.

### STEAM @ Nesmith Library

Melted Snowman  
Monday, January 10  
Ages 5-12 only. Registration required. Takeaway.

Nesmith Library Youth Staff invite our young patrons ages 5 to 12 to register for a snowman themed STEAM Takeaway!



Pickup starts Monday, January 10 at 9:00 a.m. For more information about our STEAM programs, email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Monthly Tween Event

Game and Make  
Wednesday, January 19  
3:30 p.m.  
Grades 4-8. No registration required.  
It's always the same

dilemma: wanting to play video games and craft all at the same time! Well, here is the answer to your problem! Stop by Wednesday, January 19 at 3:30 p.m. to make your own personalized craft and play a couple of rounds of your favorite classic video games! For more information, email Molly Pevna at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Monthly Create Club

Scratch Art  
Saturday, January 29  
2:00 p.m.  
Ages 4-9. Registration required.  
Young patrons are invited to join in on January's monthly Create Club at the Nesmith Library! We will explore different art, stories, and more. This is an independent program, but caregivers can join in on the fun! For more information, please email Kirsten Rickerhauser at [krickershauser@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:krickershauser@nesmithlibrary.org).

## Masks Are Required for Everyone

Masks are required for everyone entering the Nesmith Library. We have a limited quantity of masks available at the circulation desk, including child sized masks. Call 603-432-7154 when you arrive, if you prefer curbside borrowing, and we will assist you.

For the health and safety of everyone in our community, please refrain from attending if you are experiencing any symptoms of sickness, including cough, cold, or flu. Thank you for helping us to continue providing our full services as safely as possible.



## FLOW Update

Sandy Sun,  
FLOW Publicity

### FLOW Membership



Join the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) today! Choose from a variety of memberships and payment options, starting at only \$10.

Membership dues provide free and reduced price admission to local museums and attractions with our museum passes; academic grants; book fairs; Strawberry Festival; enhanced children, teens, and adult programming; library enhancements including automatic handicap accessible doors, projection system, portable

sounds system, and much more. For more information, go to [www.flowwindham.org/become-a-member](http://www.flowwindham.org/become-a-member).

### Volunteer Opportunities

Since 1966, the Friends of the Library of Windham have relied on hundreds of volunteers who are dedicated to encouraging greater use of the Nesmith Library and its many services. It's our volunteers who have made FLOW the successful organization that it is today. We have a lot of fun and give back to our community at the same time. Volunteering is also a great way to meet people!

FLOW is growing and looking for fellow

members of the community to serve on our board and committees. We meet once a month (September through May) to plan events such as the Strawberry Shortcake Take-Home kits, Strawberry Festival, book fairs, and family events like the Build a Buddy Workshop. We collaborate and discuss ways to increase community awareness about all that the Nesmith Library has to offer and how we can best support a wide range of needs. We hope that you will consider a position on our board.

For more information, contact [flow@flowwindham.org](mailto:flow@flowwindham.org).

## Nesmith Library

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### Service Hours

Monday – Thursday  
9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sat. 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

The Nesmith Library will be closed on Saturday, January 1 for New Year's Day and Monday, January 17 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

## Dates to Remember

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| 1/1  | New Year's Day, Library Closed   | 1211 | Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m.             | 3:30 p.m. |  |
| 1/10 | STEAM Takeaway Kit, 9:00 a.m.; Storytime Registration Opens, 9:00 a.m.; Library Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m. | 1/17 | Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Library Closed | 1/25      | Teen Self Care Takeaway Kit, 9:00 a.m.             |
|      |  | 1/18 | Black Bear Happenings, 6:00 p.m.           | 1/26      | Chunky Hand Knit Throw Craft for Adults, 6:00 p.m. |
|      |  | 1/19 | Tween Game and Make Afternoon,             | 1/29      | Children's Create Club, 2:00 p.m.                  |

