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August Adult Programming

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Summer is in its last month and so is our Summer Reading Program. It's not too late to register and participate! Adults can register online using Beanstack or in person at the library, and then visit the library to pick up a registration bag, while supplies last! There will be raffle drawings at the end of the summer, and a few surprise ones at select programs! Details are on our website, www.nesmithlibrary.org.

New Releases

We've got some great new titles from some of our most popular authors coming out this month. Jennifer Chiaverini brings us the story of the women who worked in Britain's arsenals during World War I in *Canary Girls* on August 8; Ann Patchett delivers a "beautiful and moving novel about family, love, and growing up" in *Tom Lake*, out on August 1, (Meryl Streep is narrating the audiobook!); and Alice Feeney is back with another thriller, *Good Bad Girl*, available on August 29. All of these are already listed in our catalog and ready for you to put on hold. If you need help putting an item on hold, just give us a call and we can walk you through it or do it for you.

Nesmith Library Book Group

The Nesmith Library Book Group will meet on Wednesday, August 9 at 6:00 p.m. Currently, the book group is not accepting new members, and the waitlist is full.

GMILCS Library Hop

The Nesmith Library invites you to hop to each library in the GMILCS Consortium this summer! Visit each participating library by August 31, complete each library's unique challenge, and earn prizes along the way. To get started, stop by the Nesmith Library to pick up your passport book and set off on your journey! Inside your passport book, you'll find each library's information and challenge. After you complete a challenge, show it to a library

staff member to receive a stamp or sticker in your passport book and a small prize. Once you complete all eleven challenges, present your completed passport book at your home GMILCS library to be entered into a raffle for a gift card to Bookery Manchester. We can't wait to see you this summer!

Wildlife Photography with Martin Culpepper



If you love wildlife, photography, or both, join us on Wednesday, August 2 at 6:00 p.m. when photographer Martin Culpepper shares his breathtaking animal photos with us. In addition to showing his photographs and explaining the stories behind them, Martin will cover the foundations of how to take good wildlife images, including what equipment to buy, and how to find animals in nature. You don't need to be a photographer to attend. Martin's photos are reason enough to join us. They are spectacular!

20-year-old Martin Culpepper is a wildlife photographer based out of northern Massachusetts. He has been photographing wildlife since 2016. An animal lover from childhood, he was obsessed with nature documentaries and books about wildlife (the more pictures, the better!). Martin has photographed animals all across North America, and he strives to showcase the beauty of his subjects and their

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environments through his photographs. Discover Martin's work on his website, www.pepperwildlife.com.

Fidelity Art Walking Tour



Meet us at Fidelity's Merrimack campus on Thursday, August 3 at 11:00 a.m. for a tour of their on-site contemporary art collection led by Patricia Dellorfano, VP, Global Head of Fidelity Art Collection. During this hour-long walking tour, Patricia will highlight some of the unique pieces displayed in Merrimack, and answer questions about the collection. There are limited spots available, and registration is required for this tour. An email will be sent prior to the event with instructions detailing where to meet. Patrons are expected to provide their own transportation.

Patricia holds two master's degrees in art, one in Arts Administration from Boston University and one in Contemporary Art History from Sotheby's Institute of Art London. She travels the world buying art for Fidelity and has visited over 40 countries! Before joining Fidelity in 2008, she worked at the Institute of Contemporary Art in Boston and was part of the team that transitioned the museum from its old space to its spectacular building on Boston's Fan Pier.

Museum Passes

Nesmith Library is pleased to offer discount passes to the following museums and attractions, thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Library of Windham.

Passes can be reserved online, by phone (603-432-7154), or in person at the library. Please reserve only one pass per family per week.

Passes should be picked up within one week of the date of use. The library card used to reserve the pass is required to be presented at pick up.

Adult Trivia / Summer Wrap Party



Join us on Thursday, August 10 at 6:00 p.m. when we celebrate the end of Adult Summer Reading with a Trivia Wrap Party! Grab your friends and form a team, or come on your own and join up with other players. Pizza, beverages, and dessert will be provided! This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW).

Culturally Curious Art Series: Seaside Escapes



From artists' colonies to robber barons' "summer cottages," the New England shoreline has inspired countless creative works. On Thursday, August 17 at 7:00 p.m., join Nesmith Library in conjunction with other GMILCS libraries for the fifth event in our Art Series with Jane Oneail, *Seaside Escapes: The Art and Architecture of the New England Coast*. This virtual Zoom program

looks at seascapes by beloved American artists including Winslow Homer and Edward Hopper, as well as the over-the-top elegance of Newport, RI summer homes designed for the titans of industry in the nineteenth century. Gloucester's eccentric summer retreat Beauport is also featured.

Jane Oneail is an independent scholar and holds a master's degree in Art History from Boston University and a master's degree in Art in Education from Harvard University. Jane is a New Hampshire native and has worked at some of the state's most esteemed cultural institutions, including the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, where she served as executive director, and the Currier Museum of Art, where she held the role of senior educator. Jane has also taught at the college level for more than a decade, most recently at the NH Institute of Art. Find out more about Jane, and her art programs, on her website: iamculturallycurious.com.

Adult programs are for ages 18 and up (unless otherwise noted), and registration is required. To register for these programs, please visit our Events Calendar at <https://nesmithlibrary.org/calendar/month>.

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

If you will not be able to use your reserved pass, please use the cancel link in the email confirmation, or call us. Reserved passes which are not cancelled and not picked up will result in patrons being temporarily blocked from using museum passes.

- The Aviation Museum of New Hampshire
- Boston's Children's Museum
- Children's Museum of New Hampshire
- Currier Museum of Art

- McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center
- Museum of Fine Arts
- Museum of Science
- New England Aquarium
- New Hampshire State Parks
- Seacoast Science Center
- SEE Science Center
- Zoo New England



Children's Summer Reading Program: All Together Now

Azra Palo,
Head of Youth Services

The Nesmith Library Children's Summer Reading Program wraps up with our Foam Finale on Thursday August 10 at 10:30 a.m.! Library patrons are welcome to add their minutes on Beanstack (www.nesmithlibrary.beanstack.com) and digitally submit their tickets

towards our raffle prizes! The more you read, the more tickets you earn towards raffle prizes. The Nesmith Library Summer Reading Program is sponsored in large part by the Friends of the Library of Windham. Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org for information.



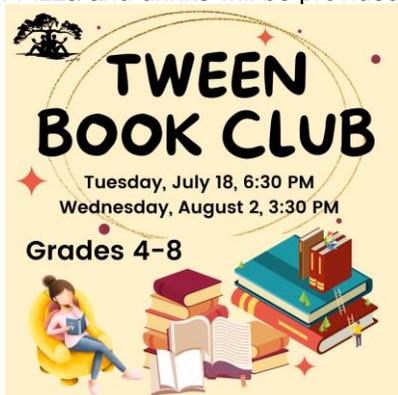
Teen Happenings

Molly Pevna,
Youth Services Librarian

August, more like augmented reality to believe that it's already August! We are heading towards the end of our Teen Summer Reading Program, but that doesn't mean that we have any less going on on!



We're starting off the month with the battle royale of the century! Well, at least when it comes to birth years. Millennials and Gen Z (teens grades 7+) are welcome to join us for the **Millennial vs. Gen Z Trivia Night** on Tuesday, August 1 starting at 6:30 p.m. Pizza and drinks will be provided.



The next day, Wednesday, August

2, we'll be having the **Tween Book Club** at 3:30 p.m. If you have a book you're currently obsessed with or just one you're reading right now, bring it with you to talk about!



It's not summer if you don't have at least one campfire. So come join us for the **Teen Campfire Stories** on Tuesday, August 8 at 6:30 p.m. We'll be making s'mores!



To finish off our Teen Summer Reading Program, the SRP finale is happening after hours this year! If you'd like to join us for our annual

Teen Murder Mystery Dinner on Friday, August 11 at 6:30 p.m., you can register on our website (spaces are limited and permission slips are required). Keep an eye on our social media for when we reveal this year's theme! It might just make you see red.

WHS FRESHMAN BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Monday, August 21, 3 PM:
I Must Betray You

Tuesday, August 22, 6:30 PM:
Maus I

Wednesday, August 23, 3 PM:
Scythe

Friday, August 25, 3 PM:
A Very Large Expanse of Sea

Just because our Summer Reading Program is over, doesn't mean we're done for the month. Windham High School students entering 9th grade are encouraged to join us for one of the four book discussion groups that we have the week of August 21. Each group will be discussing one of the books on the Freshman Summer Reading List and will be meeting in the Teen Area.

Check out our calendar for full details. Questions about the discussion groups or one of the other programs? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org or call the library at 603-432-7154.

Summer Reading Programs and Events

Azra Palo

Lego Drop-in

Wednesday, August 2

1:30 p.m.

Ages 6-11. No registration.

We're hosting a special summer Lego Drop-in at Nesmith Library, for caregivers with children ages 6-11. There will be a prompt or two to explore, but the creativity is up to you! No registration is required, just drop by on Wednesday, August 2 between 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. to make Lego creations. Caregivers must remain in the library while children are participating in the activity. Younger siblings are also welcome, but we ask that caregivers actively assist any children under age 5. Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org for more information, or if you have a question.

Tween Book Club

Wednesday, August 2

3:30 p.m.

Grades 4-8. No registration.

It is the absolute worst to have a book you're obsessed with and no one

you know has read it. If you're going into grades 4-8, join us at the Tween Book Club for a chance to chat about that book! Bring the book that is your current obsession, the one you're currently reading, or just the one that you always think about. We'll be meeting at Nesmith Library on Wednesday, August 2 at 3:30 p.m. Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org for information.

Summer STEAM Drop-in



Saturday, August 5

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Ages 6-11. No registration.

Step out of the heat and join us inside for a STEAM Drop in event on Saturday, August 5 from 1:00 to 3:00

p.m.! While siblings are welcome, caregivers should note that the event is geared towards ages 6-11. As a result, much of the STEAM games may not be suitable for younger children. Questions? Email Azra Palo at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

Make It Mondays

Monday, August 7

9:00 a.m.

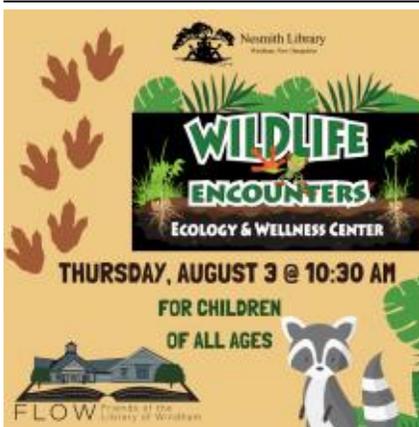
All ages. No registration.

Visit Nesmith Library on Monday, August 7 for a children's craft celebrating these warmer months! Available while supplies last. Stop by and pick up a kit to take home, or stay and make your craft with us!

This craft will be available all day in the Children's Room, but is available as a takeaway if you prefer to pick up a kit. Please call 603-432-7154 when you arrive if you would prefer curbside pick up. Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org for more information.

Special Summer Thursday Morning Events

Azra Palo



Wildlife Encounters

Thursday, August 3

10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.

It's time for a visit from our friends at Wildlife Encounters! On

Thursday, August 3 at 10:30 a.m., come to Nesmith Library to learn and even pet some animal friends you've probably never met before! This event is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Windham. There will be limited parking in the Nesmith Library parking lot, so please consider carpooling or dropping off. Questions? Email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org for more info.

Foam Party Finale

Thursday, August 10

10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.

You're invited to the Nesmith Library on Thursday, August 10 starting at 10:30 a.m. for our Summer Reading Finale Foam Party! Our party will include a foam cannon, music,

dancing, and a crazy good time! We recommend participants wear clothes they are comfortable getting wet in, and shoes are required at all times.



This event is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Windham. There will be limited parking in the Nesmith Library parking lot. Please consider carpooling or dropping off. Questions? Email Molly atmpevna@nesmithlibrary.org for more information.

Back to School Storytime

Azra Palo

Thursday, August 17
10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.

Children preparing to go to school are invited to participate in Back to School Storytime at Nesmith Library! We will dance, read stories, and meet special guests from Windham Schools including a bus driver who will bring a real school bus, and other special guests from Windham Schools! We hope you will join us on Thursday, August 17 at 10:30 a.m. for this very special storytime. Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.



Nesmith Library

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Service Hours

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

Friday
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday
9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday
1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Nesmith Library will be closed September 3-4 for Labor Day.

Memories from Recent Events



Dates to Remember

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| 8/1 | GenZ vs Millennial Trivia, 6:30 p.m. | 8/9 | Library Book Group, 6:00 p.m. | 8/21 | WHS Freshman Book Discussion (<i>I Must Betray You</i>), 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/2 | Summer Reading Lego Drop-in, 1:30 p.m.; Tween Book Club, 3:30 p.m.; Wildlife Photographer, 6:00-8:00 p.m. | 8/10 | Children's Foam Party Summer Reading Finale, 10:30 a.m.; Adult Trivia and Summer Wrap Party, 6:00 p.m. | 8/22 | WHS Freshman Book Discussion (<i>Maus</i>), 6:30 p.m. |
| 8/3 | Wildlife Encounters, 10:30 a.m.; Fidelity Art Walking Tour at Merrimack Campus, 11:00 a.m. | 8/11 | Teen Murder Mystery Dinner, 6:30 p.m. | 8/23 | WHS Freshman Book Discussion (<i>Scythe</i>), 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/5 | STEAM Drop-in, 1:00-3:00 p.m. | 8/14 | Library Board of Trustees, 6:30 p.m. | 8/25 | WHS Freshman Book Discussion (<i>A Very Large Expanse of Sea</i>), 3:00 p.m. |
| 8/7 | Children's Make It Monday, 9:00 a.m. | 8/17 | Back to School Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Virtual Culturally Curious Art Series, 7:00 p.m. | 8/31 | GMILCS Library Hop Deadline |
| 8/8 | Teen Campfire Stories, 6:30 p.m. | | | 9/3 | Library Closed |
| | | | | 9/4 | Library Closed for Labor Day |

