

# The Nesmith NEWS

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Nesmith Library  
Buy A Brick Fundraiser

## THANK YOU!

**Brick orders are now closed.**

Please watch for updates about the upcoming contractor work on the front walkway, during which there will be some total closures and limited services.



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## Brick Orders Are Now Closed

*Chelsea Paige,  
Digital Literacy  
Librarian*

A tremendous thank you to everyone who has ordered an engraved brick for the walkway outside the Nesmith Library front entrance, from those who submitted orders at our 2021 Sesquicentennial Celebration, to those who responded to our last chance call for brick orders this year, 2023. We are very excited to see all of the lovely new inscriptions along with the delightful

variety of support represented in the bricks from 1997 when this building was built. We will create a new map to help you locate your bricks when the work is all finished. Watch for updates from us about the construction work and our services, expected to be through April and May.

Part of the funding for this project is from the Town of Windham, as well as fundraising

through our Buy A Brick campaign with the Friends of the Library of Windham, and generous donations from businesses and individuals.

If you have questions about this project, please contact us by visiting us at 8 Fellows Road, calling 603-432-7154, or emailing us at [info@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:info@nesmithlibrary.org).

Thank you!

## March Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter,  
Adult Collection Development /  
Adult Programming Librarian

March is here, which means spring is getting closer and closer!

### New Books

We've got some great new titles coming out this month. On March 7, Sarah Penner, author of *The Lost Apothecary*, is back with *The London Séance Society*. *Hang the Moon*, a novel by Jeannette Walls, whose memoir, *The Glass Castle*, was a bestseller is out on March 28. For you animal lovers, *The Other Family Doctor: A Veterinarian Explores What Animals Can Teach Us About Love, Life, and Mortality* is out on March 14. 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

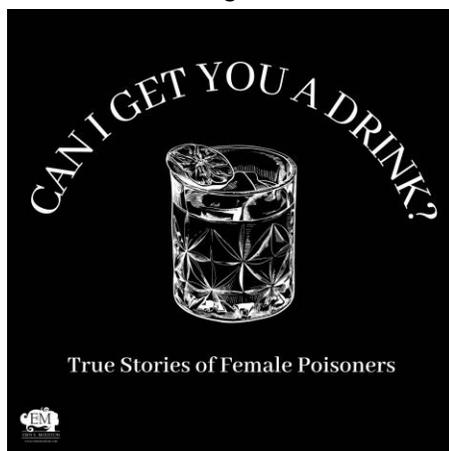
Due to FLOW's big book sale (come check it out starting March 9!), this month the Nesmith Library Book Group will meet on Wednesday, March 15 at 6:00 p.m., which is a week later than usual. This month we've been reading *A Man Called Ove* by Frederik Backman. Currently, the book group is not accepting new members, but when space becomes available, I'll open it up again. If you would like to be on the wait list, send me an email!

### Can I Get You a Drink?

#### Stories of Female Poisoners

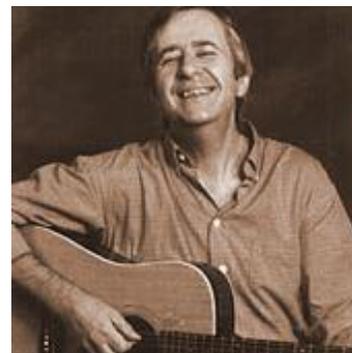
You are cordially invited to register for a one-of-a-kind virtual cocktail hour! "Can I Get You A Drink? Stories of Female Poisoners" is taking place on Zoom on Wednesday, March 8 at 6:00 p.m. Presenter and investigator, Erin E.

Moulton, will email five drink recipes to those who have registered, and you can choose to make a beverage at home (hold the arsenic!) to enjoy during this virtual Zoom presentation. Non-alcoholic options are available. While we sip, Erin will bring us through historical records and weave together the lives of five female poisoners, and we'll find out whose story matches each of the beverage recipes. Was it murder or misunderstanding? You decide!



Erin E. Moulton writes books and tracks dead people. As a genealogist, slipping into old records and exploring past lives is something she has done for herself and for others for over 14 years. Erin is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the New Hampshire Historical Society, the New Hampshire Society of Genealogists, and more. She serves on the landmark committee for the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire and is a part-time reference librarian at the Derry Public Library. She has written several books, mostly for children. You can find her online at [www.erinemoulton.com](http://www.erinemoulton.com).

### From Tribe to Nation: A Musical Journey Through the History of Ireland



On Monday, March 13 at 6:00 p.m, Irish humorist and folksinger Tom O'Carroll will visit us to share "From Tribe to Nation: A Musical Journey Through the History of Ireland." This presentation traces the history of the Irish people from the Stone Age to the present. Drawing on archaeological data, historical records, as well as music and song, Tom explores the broad social and cultural themes of conflict and identity that occur through the island's history. Throughout his presentation, Tom performs various songs, tunes, and little known anecdotes that bring to life the story of the Irish. Refreshments will be served.

Dublin-born folklorist, folksinger, and instrumentalist Tom O'Carroll brings a wealth of stories, humor, wit, and history to his performances. He has played at concerts, festivals, colleges, libraries, and pubs all over the U.S. and Canada, as well as his native Ireland, including a stint for one month in Seoul, South Korea. Whether playing a plaintive air on the tin whistle, or singing and playing rousing traditional songs to the accompaniment of the guitar or

the bodhrán (Irish drum), Tom will captivate all with his lively program about Irish culture. For more information on Tom and his programs, visit his website <http://www.tomocarroll.com>.

## Stuffed Chick Craft

Join us on Wednesday, March 29 at 6:00 p.m. when we'll be using our Creativebug digital resource to create a hand-stitched project—a sweet stuffed chick! The egg-shaped chicks are a cinch to stitch and stuff with just a few rows of sewing. Expert instructor and designer Kata Golda will take us



through the project step-by-step. We'll be making one chick, but with the skills you learn, you'll be able to whip up a batch at home and display them in an egg carton (not included) for whimsical spring décor. All supplies will be provided

to make one chick. Nesmith Library card holders only. Register early because space is limited.

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>.

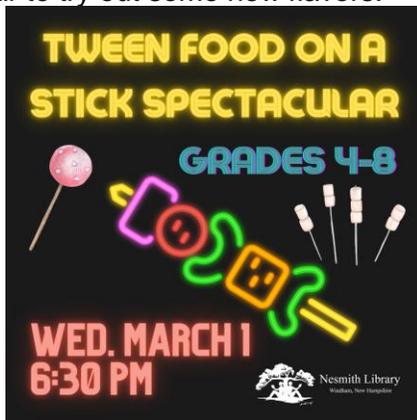
For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact Maria at [mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org) or call the library at 603-432-7154.

## Teen Happenings

*Molly Pevna,*  
*Youth Services Librarian*

It's almost time to set our clocks forward. You might say time is really Marching on. With the extra sunlight we'll be getting, we'll be having a lot of delightful new programs!

Tweens: come and see how many different types of food you can eat on a stick! Tweens in grades 4-8 can drop in Wednesday, March 1 at 6:30 p.m. for our Tween Food on a Stick Spectacular to try out some new flavors.

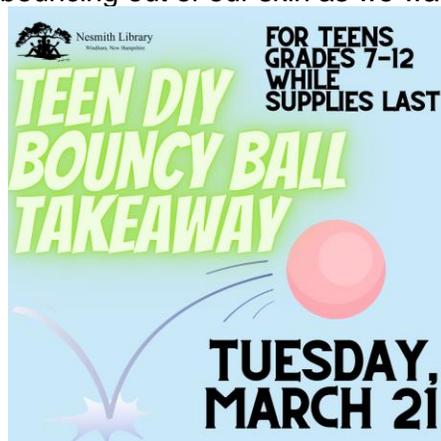


Remember when we all thought TikTok was a fleeting interest? I think we all have to admit that it's here to stay. Teens can join us on

Thursday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m. for our Teen Tik Tok Dance Night. Since 2020, we've seen a lot of new dances come about. Whether you have some moves or just want to laugh at Teen Librarian Molly's attempts, it's guaranteed to be a good time.

Our monthly TAG meeting will be on Tuesday, March 14 at 6:30 p.m. Registration is required for all attendees, including teens interested in joining the group.

By the time we hit the middle of the month, we're all going to be bouncing out of our skin as we wait



for spring to really come. Why not make a bouncy ball to help with the wait? Come pick up your own Teen DIY Bouncy Ball Takeaway, starting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, March 21, while supplies last.

We'll be wrapping up the month with our favorite pastime, thrifting! Come by on Tuesday, March 28 for our first local Teen Clothing Swap, starting at 6:30 p.m. Registration is required. Please make sure to read and agree to the program guidelines before registering.



Questions about this program or any of the others listed? Feel free to reach out to Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

## The *Windham* Flow

# MARCH 8-11, 2023

# Winter Book Fair



Come support your local library and peruse a large selection of children and adult books and media, including CDs, DVDs, and puzzles.

**WEDNESDAY**  
3/8/23

3:00pm-7:30pm  
(FLOW Members,  
Teachers and Senior  
Citizens only)

**THURSDAY**  
3/9/23

11:00am-7:30pm

**FRIDAY**  
3/10/23

11:00am-4:30pm

**SATURDAY**  
3/11/23

11:00am-4:00pm

Nesmith Library - 8 Fellows Rd Windham, NH

Visit us at [flowwindham.org](https://flowwindham.org) for more info

Volunteer at



## Nesmith Library "Who Would Win?" Tournament

Azra Palo,  
Head of Youth Services

Calling all young patrons ages 0-12! Are you ready to play Who Would Win at the Nesmith Library? Starting Monday, February 27, vote each week in person or online to help us determine the ultimate winter animal!

We will also have a display of the Who Would Win books in the Children's Room to check out and enjoy between voting rounds. The winner and runner up will be announced on Friday, March 24. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

## "WHO WOULD WIN?" TOURNAMENT

Vote each week, online or  
in the Children's Room!

Week One Starts  
Monday 2/27!



## FLOW Academic Grants

### *Friends of the Library of Windham*

The Friends of the Library of Windham are pleased to offer three distinct grants to Windham residents. These grants are a one-time award ranging from \$1,500 to \$2,500. Two of the awards are for high school seniors in pursuit of a 4-year degree at a college or university, and the other one is for a high school senior with plans to attend a community college or trade school.

To get started, visit the FLOW Academic Grants website, <https://www.flowwindham.org/scholarships>

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Applications are also available at the Nesmith Library circulation desk and on the Windham High School Scholarship portal. When the forms are completed, return them to the Nesmith Library.

Applications are due by the end of the day on Wednesday, April 3, 2023. Winners will be announced at the Windham High School Blue and Gold Award Ceremony. For more information, please email: [academicgrants@flowwindham.org](mailto:academicgrants@flowwindham.org).



## Storytimes

Azra Palo

### Toddler Storytime

Mondays and Fridays, March 13 to April 14 at 10:30 a.m. Registration not required.

Caregivers with children ages 18 months to 3 years are invited to sing, dance, and follow along to stories and songs at the Nesmith Library. We ask that patrons please choose either Monday or Friday to attend. Siblings are also welcome. Questions? Email Chris at [csavuknas@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:csavuknas@nesmithlibrary.org).

### NEW All Ages Storytime

Tuesdays, March 14 to April 11 at 10:30 a.m. All ages with caregiver. No registration required.

Join us for our NEW storytime at the Nesmith Library on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. starting March 14! This all ages storytime will feature music, movement, and, of course, stories. Geared towards

all ages, it will feature hands-on activities such as sensory bins or crafts! Questions? Email Azra Palo at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).



### Baby Storytime

Wednesdays, March 15 to April 12 at 10:30 a.m. Ages 0-18 months. Registration not required. All babies and their caregivers

are invited to join us Wednesday mornings at the Nesmith Library for Baby Storytime! Starting Wednesday, March 15 at 10:30 a.m., we will have stories, songs, dancing, and more. Siblings are always welcome. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, March 16 to April 13 at 10:30 a.m. Ages 3-5 years. Registration required.

We are inviting our preschool friends to join us for storytime! On Thursdays starting March 16 at 10:30 a.m., Miss Molly will lead us in a fun storytime including songs, dancing, and stories. This is an independent storytime. Registration began on February 27. For more information about our preschool storytime, email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

## Special Events for Children

Azra Palo

### February Vacation Week

February 27 – March 3

During February Vacation Week, join the Nesmith Library for fun activities for all ages including a visit from Squam Lake Science Center with REAL animals on Wednesday, March 1 at 10:30 a.m.! Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org) for more information.

### St. Patrick's Day Takeaway

Friday, March 17

It's our lucky day, because we have a special St. Patrick's Day craft. Come share the luck on Friday, March 17 to pick up your

own craft. Crafts are available for children of all ages while supplies last, pick up starts at 9:00 a.m. Questions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).



### Percy Jackson Party

Wednesday, March 22 at 6:00 p.m. Ages 6-11. Registration not required. In person.

Are you as hyped for the upcoming new Percy Jackson

books as we are?! After years of waiting, the Rick Riordan promised book about Nico D'Angelo is out in May! And after ten years, our favorite trio, Percy, Annabeth, and Grover, are back with a new book in September! To celebrate we're throwing a party. If you love Percy Jackson or want to learn more about it and are between the ages of 6-11, drop by Wednesday, March 22 at 6:00 p.m. to join the bash! Snacks and drinks will be provided. Questions or concerns about dietary restrictions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

## Monthly Children's Programs

Azra Palo

### Tween: Food on a Stick Spectacular



Wednesday, March 1 at 6:30 p.m. Grades 4-8. No registration required.

We all know that the most enjoyable food to eat is food on a stick. So, on Wednesday, March 1 starting at 6:30 p.m., come to try out some of the best DIY kabobs, desserts, and more. No utensils required! Questions or concerns about food allergies? Please contact Teen Librarian Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org). We ask all patrons planning on attending who have allergies or other dietary restrictions to contact Molly by Friday, February 24 via email or by calling the library.

### Cardinal Takeaway Craft



Friday, March 3. All ages. Registration not required.

It's March, which means spring is almost here! We will start seeing

our feathered friends returning and we're celebrating by making a rocking cardinal craft. Stop by on Friday, March 3 to grab your own Cardinal Takeaway Craft. Crafts are available while supplies last. Questions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

### STEAM Takeaway: Bird's Nest



Monday, March 6. Ages 6-11. Registration required.

Spring is almost here, and what better time to think like a bird and make your own nest? The March STEAM Kit will be available for pick up starting Monday, March 6 at 9:00 a.m. Registration is required. Takeaway kits not picked up by Monday, March 13 will be given to someone on the waitlist. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Lego Drop-in



Thursday, March 16 at 6:00-7:00 p.m. Registration not required. Join the Nesmith Library in March for a Lego Drop-in! Stop by on Thursday, March 16 anytime between 6:00 and 7:00 p.m. as we

play with Legos. Young builders will have a prompt or two to explore, but the creativity is up to them. Younger siblings are welcome, but we ask that adults remain the room with them for the remainder of the program. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Create Club: Dot Painting

Saturday, March 25 at 2:00 p.m. Registration required.

Young patrons aged 6-11 are invited to sign up for March's Create Club. This month we're working with the very basis of all art – the dot. We'll try our hands at pointillism and see just how much you can do with single specks of color. We'll be using paint, so be sure to dress accordingly. For more information, please email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Magic Tree House Explorers

Monday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. Registration required.

Young patrons aged 6-11 are invited to join us Monday, March 27 at 6:00 p.m. as the Magic Tree House Explorers travel back to the Qin dynasty. In this meeting, we'll learn about the first emperor of China, the tomb he built for himself, and the bamboo scrolls that were the books in that time period. If we're successful, we'll even make scrolls of our own! Caregivers are welcome to join in or not, but they must remain in the library as their children participate. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org)

## Nesmith Knitters

This is a community group, meeting in person at Nesmith Library. Please contact Roberta at [roberta.yaffe@gmail.com](mailto:roberta.yaffe@gmail.com) with any questions.

The Nesmith Knitters meet the first and third Thursday of each month at 12:30 p.m. to knit, crochet, share ideas. and enjoy one another's

company. They invite like-minded people in the area to join them – no level of skill required.

Bring a project you are already working on, or one you wish to start. You must supply your own materials. All skill levels and ages, including beginners, are welcome.



## Dates to Remember

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|------|---|--|--|
| 3/1  | Animals in Winter, 10:30 a.m.; Tween Food on a Stick Spectacular, 6:30 p.m.                                     | a.m.; Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; From Tribe to Nation: A Musical Journey Through the History of Ireland, 6:00 p.m. | a.m.; All Ages Storytime, 10:30 a.m.                                       |
| 3/2  | Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Teen TikTok Dance Night, 6:30 p.m.   | 3/14 All Ages Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m.  | 3/22 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Percy Jackson Party, 6:00 p.m.            |
| 3/3  | Children's Cardinal Takeaway Craft, 9:00 a.m.   | 3/15 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Library Book Group, 6:00 p.m.   | 3/23 Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.                                       |
| 3/6  | "Who Would Win?" Tournament, 9:00 a.m.; STEAM Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.; FLOW Meeting, 6:30 p.m.                      | 3/16 Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Lego Drop-in, 6:00 p.m.                       | 3/24 "Who Would Win?" Tournament, 9:00 a.m.; Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. |
| 3/8  | FLOW Book Fair Presale, 3:00-7:30 p.m.; (Virtual) Can I Get You a Drink? Stories of Female Poisoners, 6:00 p.m. | 3/17 St. Patrick's Day Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.; Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.  | 3/25 Create Club, 2:00 p.m.  |
| 3/9  | FLOW Book Fair, 11:00 a.m.-7:30 p.m.  | 3/20 "Who Would Win?" Tournament, 9:00 a.m.; Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.   | 3/27 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Magic Tree House Explorers, 6:00 p.m.  |
| 3/10 | FLOW Book Fair, 11:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  | 3/21 Teen DIY Bouncy Ball Takeaway, 9:00   | 3/28 All Ages Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Teen Clothing Swap, 6:30 p.m.         |
| 3/11 | FLOW Book Fair, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  |  | 3/29 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Stuffed Chick Craft, 6:00 p.m.            |
| 3/13 | "Who Would Win?" Tournament, 9:00   |  | 3/30 Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.                                       |
|      |   |  | 3/31 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.   |
|      |   |  | 4/3 FLOW Scholarship Deadline  |

## Nesmith Library

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Sylvie Brikiatis

### 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.

