

# The Nesmith NEWS

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Congratulations to Elizabeth Russell, winner of FLOW's Strawberry Festival Poster Design Contest. The Golden Brook School fourth grader's design will be featured in the poster for the Friends of the Library of Windham's 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Strawberry Festival and Book Fair, which will be held at Windham High School on Saturday, June 3 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Save the date!

Join us for a fun filled day of entertainment and food. As always, we will have strawberry shortcakes, dunk tanks, bounce houses, face painting, games, raffles, and more! Don't forget to stop by the book fair! Proceeds from the event and book fair benefit Nesmith Library programming and the broader community.

## May Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter,  
Adult Collection Development /  
Adult Programming Librarian

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers out there, including the mothers of fur babies! I'm the mother of two humans and three fur babies (Siberian cats)!

### New Books

We've got some great new titles coming out this month. Mary Beth Keane, the author of *Ask Again, Yes*, is back with *The Half Moon* on May 2. *Beware the Woman*, the next thriller by Megan Abbott, comes out on May 30. There are a bunch of great beach reads being published this month including *Summer on Sag Harbor* by Sunny Hostin, *Summer Stage* by Meg Mitchell Moore, and *The Island Villa* by Sarah Morgan. 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, 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 not be meeting in May, due to the brick walkway construction. Currently, the book group is not accepting new members, and the waitlist is full.

### Pairing Tea with Chocolate

Chocolate and tea?? We'll definitely need some expert insight to successfully pair those two. "Pairing Tea with Chocolate" is a combination program of a kit available for pick up starting Tuesday, May 9 for those who register, and a virtual Zoom presentation on Thursday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. The virtual interactive lecture with certified Tea Specialist Danielle Beaudette of The Cozy Tea Cart in Brookline, N.H., will start with a brief back-

ground on the production of the cocoa bean and the tea plant, highlighting their similarities. Danielle will teach us how to properly taste chocolate, and we will finish by sampling five different teas paired with chocolate ranging from 35% to 85% cocoa, that are provided in the kit that registrants picked up starting Tuesday, May 9. You must be a Nesmith Library card holder to register, and space and kits are limited.



Danielle Beaudette is the owner of The Cozy Tea Cart and is one of the first 15 individuals in the world to be certified as a Tea Specialist through the Specialty Tea Institute, N.Y. She has researched and learned first-hand about the production of tea through her Asian tea travels. Her tea shop sells only the finest, high quality, freshly imported teas, and has earned the title of "Best of N.H." from New Hampshire Magazine. Since opening her shop, Danielle has been dedicated to educating her customers. The invaluable information she has received from her travels to the tea estates in Asian countries, from attending World Tea Expo seminars, and from the Specialty Tea Institute certified educational programs has provided her with insights on the current trends of the tea industry and advanced awareness of the latest studies on the health benefits of tea.

### Culturally Curious Art Series: Revolutionary Design



New England is known for its history and traditions, but it is also home to some daring and inventive modern designs from some of the world's leading architects. On Thursday, May 25 at 7:00 p.m., join Nesmith Library in conjunction with other GMILCS libraries for the second event, "Revolutionary Design: Modern Architecture in New England," in our art series with Jane Oneail. In this virtual Zoom presentation, we will discover how giants in the field like Frank Lloyd Wright, Walter Gropius, Louis Kahn, Philip Johnson, and Maya Lin combine the expected and the familiar with the innovative and experimental. This program will introduce us to each architect and walk us through their notable works in New England locales.

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 N.H. Institute of Art. Find out more about Jane, and her art programs, on her website: [iamculturallycurious.com](http://iamculturallycurious.com).

Adult programs are for ages 18 and up (unless otherwise noted),

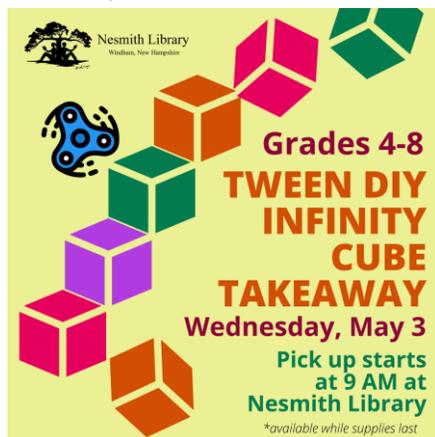
and registration is required. To register for these programs, visit our Events Calendar at <https://nesmithlibrary.org/calendar/month>.

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*

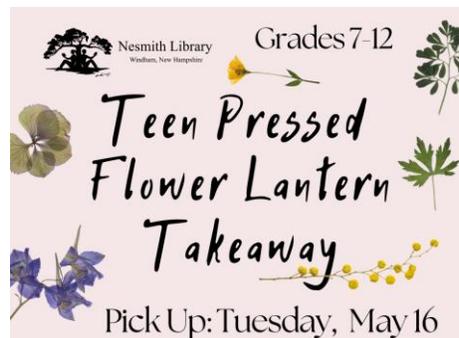
May the Fourth be with you! It certainly is with the programs we have going on this month in the Teen Department.



Starting off the month, we have a DIY Infinity Cube Tween Takeaway. If you're in grades 4-8 and want to try one out, pick up starts Wednesday, May 3 at 9:00 a.m. Make sure to check our website or

social media for the level of services we are offering that day.

We're having our monthly TAG meeting on Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 p.m., but we're going off-site to the Windham Senior Center. TAG members and those interested in learning more about TAG are required to provide their own transportation.



Teens in grades 7-12 can get their own Pressed Flower Takeaway on Tuesday, May 16, starting

at 9:00 a.m. while supplies last.

Are you dreading heading back to school after the long weekend on Memorial Day? Us too, so come join us for a Teen Cozy Party to recover from the school day on Tuesday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m. We'll be practicing some self-care, just come in your coziest clothes.



Questions about these programs or anything else in the Teen area? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).



## Stuffie Sleepover

*Azra Palo,  
Head of Youth Services*

Have you ever wondered what happens at the library overnight? Well, your trusted stuffie friends can find out at the Nesmith Library Stuffie Animal Sleepover! Ages 0-11 are welcome to drop off their favorite cuddle buddy at Nesmith Library on Thursday, May 18 be-

tween 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to "sleepover". Pick up starts at 9:00 a.m. the next morning, Friday, May 19. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to see photos from the big sleepover. No registration required. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

## Storytimes

Azra Palo

### Spring Storytime at Griffin Park

Friday, May 12, 10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.

Warm weather is here, and we are ready to celebrate with a very special storytime at Griffin Park! Join the Nesmith Library children's librarians at Griffin Park on Friday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. for songs, dancing, and stories. Participants must provide their own transportation to meet us there. Questions? Email Miss Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org) or Miss Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org). See our website [www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org) and social media for more information about parking, meeting location, or cancellation due to rain, the week of the event.

### Caboose Storytime at the Windham Rail Trail

Friday, May 19, 10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.



Chugga, chugga, choo-choo! It's time for another visit to our favorite caboos on the Windham Rail Trail! Join Miss Molly, Miss Chris, and Miss Azra for a Train Storytime on Friday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. A very special thank you to the Windham Rail Trail Alliance for allowing us special access to the caboos. Participants must provide their own transportation to meet us there. Questions? Email Miss Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org) or Miss Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org). Please check out [www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org) and social media the week of the event

for more information about location and cancellation in case of rain.

### Animal Storytime at Griffin Park

Friday, May, 26, 10:30 a.m.

All ages. No registration.

What animal noises can you make? Roar, bark, cheep! We'll be making a ruckus at our special outdoor Animal Storytime at Griffin Park, presented by Nesmith Library! Enjoy songs, dancing, and stories with Nesmith Library Youth Services on Friday, May 26 at 10:30 a.m. Participants must provide their own transportation to meet us there. No registration required, all are welcome! Questions? Email Miss Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org) or Miss Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org). Check our website and social media the week of the event for more information about location and cancellation in case of rain.

## Monthly Children's Programs

Azra Palo

### Snail Takeaway Craft

Friday, May 5. All ages. Registration not required.

It's spring, which means that snails are now everywhere. Good thing they are cute! If you want your very own, now is your chance with the Snail Craft Takeaway. Children of all ages are invited to pick up their very own Snail Craft Takeaway on Friday, April 5 at Nesmith Library while supplies last. Pick-up starts at 9:00 a.m. Questions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

### STEAM Takeaway: Wind Chimes

Monday, May 8. Ages 6-11.

Registration required.

Are you ready to decorate your

garden with something that chimes? Then register for the May STEAM kit will be available for pick up starting Monday, May 8 at 9:00 a.m. Families will work in teams. Register once for the whole family and list the names of your children who are ages 6-11 on the indicated line of the registration form, so that we package up enough supplies for you. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Create Club Takeaway: Coffee Filter Flowers

Monday, May 22.

Ages 6-11. No registration.

Flowers are blooming and what better time to make your own bouquet of flowers? Stop by Nesmith

Library to pick up all the supplies you will need to take home and make your own special artsy flowers out of coffee filters and more. Pick up starts at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, May 22. This craft is geared towards ages 6-11 and available while supplies last. Questions? Email Azra at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).



## Windham FLOW Accepting Donations at Nesmith Library

### Items Accepted:

- Current bestsellers and classics for adults, young adults and children in excellent condition
- Complete Puzzles and Games (no missing pieces)

We currently do not accept: Textbooks, Encyclopedias, Readers Digests, Almanacs, Magazines, VHS tapes, Cassettes, DVDs, CDs, or Books on tape



Donations will be used for our book sales, which support Nesmith Library programs

## Nesmith Library

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Library Director:  
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.

Nesmith Library will be closed on Sunday, May 14 for Mother's Day. It will also be closed Sunday, May 28 and Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

## Dates to Remember

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| 5/1 Strawberry Festival Planning Meeting at Windham High School, 6:30 p.m.                  | 5/11 Virtual Pairing Tea with Chocolate, 6:00 p.m.           | 5/22 Create Club Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.   |
| 5/3 Tween DIY Infinity Cube Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.   | 5/12 Spring Storytime at Griffin Park, 10:30 a.m.            | 5/25 Virtual Culturally Curious Art Series: Revolutionary Design, 7:00 p.m.                                  |
| 5/5 Children's Snail Takeaway Craft, 9:00 a.m.  | 5/14 Library closed for Mother's Day                         | 5/26 Animal Storytime at Griffin Park, 10:30 a.m.  |
| 5/8 STEAM Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.; Library Trustees, 6:30 p.m.; FLOW Virtual Meeting, 6:30 p.m. | 5/16 Teen Pressed Flower Lantern Takeaway, 9:00 a.m.         | 5/28 Library Closed  |
| 5/9 Pick Up Kit for Pairing Tea with Chocolate, 9:00 a.m.; Teen Advisory Group, Windham     | 5/18 Stuffed Sleepover, 5:00 p.m.                            | 5/29 Library Closed for Memorial Day   |
|   | 5/19 Caboose Storytime at the Windham Rail Trail, 10:30 a.m. | 5/30 Teen Cozy Party, 6:30 p.m.  |
|   |  | 6/3 FLOW Strawberry Festival, Windham High School, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Book Fair, 11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. |

