



NEWSLETTER

Civil Rights: How Far We Have Come, How Far We Have to Go, 2017

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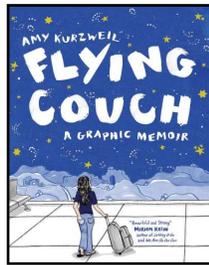
Tuesday, May 9, 7:00 pm: Look to the past and to the future of the struggle for equal

rights for all at an interactive panel discussion, moderated by Beau Stubblefield-Tave, Principal of the Center for Culturally Fluent Leadership. The panel will be comprised of local civil rights leaders including:

- Keynote speaker, Professor Tricia Rose, Brown University. She is currently working on a project called *How Structural Racism Works*.
- Pastor Brandon T. Crowley, Senior Pastor, Myrtle Baptist Church
- Rev. Dr. Michelle Walsh, U.U. Minister and Independent Clinical Social Worker
- Tim Wells, First Unitarian Society in Newton Black Lives Matter Working Committee

The program is cosponsored by The Center for Culturally Fluent Leadership, First Unitarian Society in Newton, Myrtle Baptist Church and Newton Human Rights Commission.

The Art of Healing and the Healing of Art: A Conversation with Amy and Sonya Kurzweil



Monday, May 1, 7:00 pm: Amy Kurzweil's book, *Flying Couch*, is an illustrated family memoir about three generations of Jewish women: Amy, the artist,

Sonya, the psychologist and Lily, (Amy's Bubbe or Grandmother) the Holocaust survivor. Join us for this intriguing mother-daughter conversation as Sonya introduces her daughter's book, *Flying Couch*, and describes milestones in her own "self-created" process of healing from childhood experiences of adversity. Amy will discuss how writing and drawing this graphic memoir helped her more deeply understand both her mother's post-WWII and her Bubbe's Holocaust experiences to arrive at a greater understanding of herself. Amy will also touch on the potential healing value of art, specifically in writing and drawing the past. A Q and A and book signing will follow. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Amy Kurzweil's comics appear in *The New Yorker* and other publications. Her short stories have been published by *The Toast*, *The Awl*, *Hobart* and *Shenandoah*, among others. *The New York Times* named *Flying Couch* an "Editor's Choice" (contd. p. 8)

Newton Festival of the Arts Story Slam: Out of the Blue



Wednesday, May 17, 7:00 pm: If you've never been to a "story slam", you will love it! Anyone who attends can (but is not

required to) throw their name into a hat to tell a story. Featured guests will include Pastor Alicia Johnson (Myrtle Baptist Church) Tom Lyons, (Owner New England Mobile Book Fair), Tova Mirvis (Novelist) and Linda Plaut (Director of the Mayor's Office on Cultural Affairs). Here's how it works: Your story should be 5 minutes at most, be your own real life experience and relate to the theme *Out of the Blue*. It can be funny, sad or poignant. Get up and tell it, no reading, no notes, no props. NOTE: Please refrain from presenting material that is obscene, offensive or otherwise inappropriate for the library environment. Join us for this lively event!

● IMPORTANT DATES ●

- The Library Trustees will meet May 24
- We will be closed on May 28 & 29 for Memorial Day
- Blood Drives will be held May 10 & 24

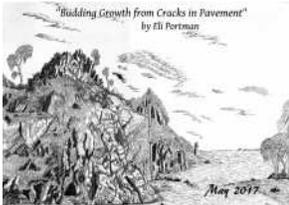


Art Exhibits: May 2-30

Gallery: *Budding Growth from Cracks in Pavement* by Eli Portman

Joint Opening Reception, Thursday, May 4, 7:00 pm

By: E. Portman



Eli Portman grew up reading comic books which, as an artist, informed his attraction to dynamic line work. Sharp angles, hatching, light and dark; he uses his dip pen to take the parts of this city that he remembers most, specifically the places that lack exposure, and show their stains, their marks and dents.

When describing his techniques Eli said, "The dip pen is such an amazingly versatile tool. It can capture shadows, curves, the grime and the purity of the places that I like to draw. Sometimes I enjoy drawing on site, pen in hand, watching the sun sink as I sit by the ocean, or with the paper on my lap as my legs dangle over the edge of a cliff, or seated high up on the edge of a multi-level parking garage, the lights of the city below me. It requires immense focus and firm control of the hand." He invites viewers to imagine themselves onsite with him, watching the world as it shifts and grows, and passes slowly by. This show is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Main Hall: *Through My Eyes* by Barney Levitt

Joint Opening Reception, Thursday, May 4, 7:00 pm

By: B. Levitt



Barney Levitt has been making pictures since early childhood. He creates his paintings layer by layer, capturing in painstaking detail every nuance of his subject. His work, most of which is still life driven, is greatly influenced by the works of the Dutch and Flemish masters, particularly Vermeer. He likes working with 'timeless' objects which give viewers a sense of the nostalgia

of a long ago era. Old radios, telephones and typewriters, rusted antique tools and glass bottles are often the subject matter of his work. He also loves the reflective nature of metallic objects, which capture his image at work in his studio. His work combines naturalistic detail with quirky offbeat compositions that often juxtapose ordinary objects in ways the viewer doesn't expect. This show is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Teen Gallery: *A Snapshot of Newton South Arts*

By: A. Xiao



This collection of student work from Newton South High School is bound by the common thread of self-portraits, both through non-traditional and traditional means. Metaphoric images stand in for the self and snapshots of everyday moments represented in still lifes highlight the building blocks of small moments that comprise our lives. Also included are works that received a Silver Key in the

2017 *Boston Globe* Scholastic Art Awards. The library wishes to extend its gratitude to Eric Blomster of Abraxis Framing Co. in Newton, who generously provided the frames cost-free. On view through fall 2017.

May Display Cases On View May 2-30

Atrium Cases One and Two:

View images from Castro's funeral procession and memorial service along with photographs of life in Cuba taken by Dawn Colsia. Info: dawncolsia@gmail.com.

Main Hall: Green Newton presents an exhibit prepared by Students for a Greener World (SGW) (contd. p. 5)

You and Your Financial Future Series



Wednesday, May 31, 7:00 pm:

Are you on track to achieve your financial goals now and throughout your life? Join our expert panelists at

the second installment of the three-part *You and Your Financial Future* series where you will learn about a variety of important money-related topics including:

- Saving successfully to meet your financial goals
- Using your money wisely and protecting your wealth
- Smart strategies for wealth distribution in any phase of life

All are welcome to these programs which are free and open to the public and are cosponsored by the City of Newton Department of Senior Services. Dr. David Griswold, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Finance and Economics at Boston University Questrom School of Management, will moderate.

Wednesday, May 31, 2017:

Generating a Retirement Income:

- John Spoto, President of Sentry Financial Planning, LLC: *Distribution strategies, annuities and social security*
- Dr. Geoff Sanzenbacher, Research Economist, Center for Retirement Research at Boston College: *Reverse mortgages, real estate tax deferral*
- Tobe Gerard, CLTC, MBA, MLS, LIA: *Long term care insurance*

The series will conclude on June 6.

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Teen Programs



College Admissions Testing: A Roadmap for the SAT, ACT and Other College

Tests, Thursday, May 4, 7:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: With the redesigned SAT, which was given for the first time last spring, and an increasing number of students taking the ACT, families have many questions about the current state of standardized testing. In this seminar, we will:

- Help dispel some of the anxiety that surrounds these tests
- Provide families with information to help guide them through their own unique testing plans
- Explain the role of standardized tests in the college admissions process
- Explain the differences between the SAT and ACT
- Examine sample problems from the two tests to highlight the differences
- Help students understand how to decide between the SAT and ACT, when to take the test and how to prepare

Presented by the Summit Educational Group. For teens and parents. Register online.

Teen Crafterhours, Monday, May 8, 6:30 pm, second floor Teen Area: We meet on the second Monday of every month to make crafts and eat snacks. This month we'll be having a miniature food challenge! Grades 7-12.



Books & Brownies, Wednesday, May 31, 7:00 pm, second floor Teen Area:

Join us for the parent/guardian and teen book club and enjoy brownies! The group will discuss *Character Driven* by David Lubar. Grades 9-12 and their adult.



Wind Turbine Engineering, Tuesday, May 2, 7:00 pm, Druker Auditorium:

Participate in this hands-on activity that uses everyday materials from a vacuum cleaner and wind. The workshop promotes problem-solving and observational skills, teamwork and creativity.

Participants will:

- Design and build a wind turbine to see how much electricity it can generate
- Watch other turbines being tested to see how much electricity they can generate
- Figure out if more electricity can be produced by re-designing their turbine

Grades 5-7. Space is limited. Pick up a ticket in the Children's Room 15 minutes before the program begins.

Tween Crafternoons, Tuesday, May 9, 3:30 pm, second floor Teen Area:

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month to make crafts and eat snacks. This month: peep dioramas! Grades 5-7.



Tinker Club, Thursday, May 18, 4:00 pm, second

floor Computer Center: Hang out and play with our Code Newton grant robotics equipment such as littleBits, Hexbugs, LEGO WeDo or Finch Robots. Grades 5-7. Register online.

LEGO WeDo, Wednesday, May 24, 7:30 pm, second floor Computer

Center: Awaken kids' curiosity and interest in problem solving! Kids build LEGO models and then program them to move and react. For tweens, grades 5-7. Space is limited. Pick up a ticket in the Children's room 15 minutes before the program begins.

Contact Liz!



Contact Teen Librarian, Liz Rowland, at teens@newtonfreelibrary.net with questions about how Teens or Tweens can get involved at the library.

Book and Author Luncheon



Friday, May 12, 11:00 am, Newton Marriott Hotel: The event will

feature authors Larry Tye (*Bobby Kennedy: The Making of a Liberal Icon*) and Joseph Finder (*Guilty Minds*). Book sale/signing to follow. Event price is \$50 per person; sponsorships are \$75 and \$100. Purchase tickets at newtonfreelibrary.net or send your check made payable to the Friends of the Newton Free Library to Newton Free Library, 330 Homer St, Newton, MA 02459, Attn: Friends.

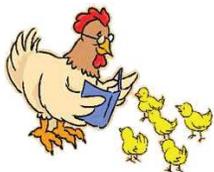
Friends Book Sale, Saturday, May 6, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm and Sunday, May 7 noon to 3:00 pm:

Of special note are wide selection of DVDs, books on CD and large collection of blues, jazz and classical CDs. Also, a great selection of art and cook books, many in excellent condition and a large collection of children's and teen books, including graphic novels and sci-fi. *Location:* Basement of the Auburndale Community Library at 375 Auburn St, Auburndale, MA.

Please visit the Friends of the Newton Free Library gift and book carts in the lobby. Most items are priced .50 - \$3.00; all proceeds benefit the library.

Children's Programs

All programs are held in the Children's Room unless otherwise noted.



Drop In Storytimes: Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the

program.

Songs and Stories for Ages 0-4

- Mondays, May 1, 8, 15 and 22, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16 and 30, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Tuesday, May 23, 10:00 am
- Wednesdays, May 10, 17, 24 and 31, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Wednesday, May 3, 10:00 am
- Thursday, May 11, 10:00 am and 11:00 am

Songs and Stories for All Ages

- Saturdays, May 6, 13 and 27, 10:30 am and 11:30 am
- Saturday, May 20, 11:30 am

iStorytime for Ages 0-4

- Thursdays, May 4, 18 and 25, 10:30 am, Druker Auditorium

Alphabet Soup (Under 2): Fridays, May 5, 12, 19 and 26, 10:00 am and 11:00 am

3-5s Activities

Puppet Pals, Wednesday, May 3, 2:00 pm: Join Morgan for a puppet-filled storytime! There will be songs, stories and lots of puppet friends. A craft will follow. Ages 3-5. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

(3-5 contd.) Storytime Surprise, Thursday, May 4, 4:00 pm: This week's theme is gardens. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Bilingual storytime!



Spanish Bilingual Storytime, Thursday, May 11, 4:00 pm: A special bilingual storytime with stories, songs and movement in English and Spanish. Ages 3-5. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Storytime Surprise, Thursday, May 18, 4:00 pm: This week's theme is weather. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

STEAM Ahead, Thursday, May 25, 4:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: A storytime for 3-5 year olds and their care givers to explore math, science and the arts with children's books and related activities. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Programs and Classes

Don't Blink: A Funny Mystery with Itay the Magician, Wednesday, May 3, 7:00 pm, Druker Auditorium:

This magic show, built on comedy and mystery, is full of tricks involving cards, eggs, cups, balls, bananas and so much more! For families with kids ages 5 and up, it's sure to make everyone laugh.



grades 3 and up - you're never too old for picture books!

Sophisticated Stories, Monday, May 22, 7:30 pm: Storytime for older kids! Enjoy cool, strange, weird and wacky picture books. For kids in

Dance and Movement Class, Wednesday, May 3, 11:00 am, Druker Auditorium: The Joanne Langione Dance Center presents a music and movement class for toddlers and preschoolers.

Picture Books on Film, Fridays, May 5, 12, 19 and 26, 11:00 am, Druker Auditorium.



Read to a Dog at the Library, Saturday, May 6, 3:00 pm; Saturday, May 13, 3:45 pm; and Monday, May 15, 4:00 pm:

Our canine friends Leo, Xena and Riley will visit to listen to children in grades K-5 read. Appointments are for fifteen minutes. Appointment times will be sent via email once you have registered. Space is limited. Online registration (required) begins Saturday, April 29.

'Little Ones' Story/Craft Time, Mondays, May 8 and 22, 3:30 pm:

Listen to a story, sing some songs and make a craft. For kids ages 2 to 4. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.



Family Yoga Class, Saturday, May 20, 10:30 am, Druker Auditorium:

Poses and games in this class are designed for children ages 3-12 and their caregiver(s). No yoga experience required.

Star Wars Symposium, Saturday, May 20, 2:00 pm, Druker Auditorium:

Come dressed as a character for the costume contest, bring your show and tell items, learn about the history of *Star Wars*, join in a trivia contest, watch funny videos and more! For ages 5 and up, families welcome!

Scratch Club, Thursday, May 18, 7:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: Please join us for the monthly Scratch club! Kids in grades 3 and 4 come for an hour to explore and work with (contd. p. 5)

(Children's contd.) Scratch (a free programming language designed at MIT) to create games, animation and stories. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

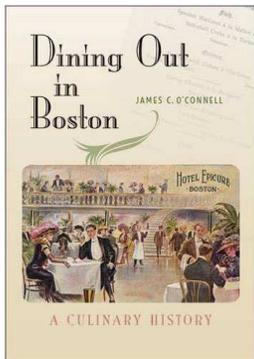


Family Game Day, Friday, May 19, 3:00 pm: Drop in for family games and activities time! This is an opportunity to spend quality time with your child(ren) and your

neighbors. Games, building materials and other activities for all ages will be available.

Matt Heaton Family Singalong, Tuesday, May 23, 11:00 am, Druker Auditorium: Peppered with well-known classics and a few soon-to-be classics, and performed with panache on guitar & banjo, Matt makes music for parents and kids alike. Appropriate for all ages.

Famous Newton Restaurants



Tuesday, May 30, 7:00 pm: Join Jim O'Connell for a talk on his book, *Dining Out in Boston: A Culinary History*. Coming out of the Boston

restaurant tradition, this presentation will focus on Newton restaurants that came about during the 1930 postwar era, when suburbanization and automobile travel took off including The Pillar House, Cabot's, Valle's, the first Brigham's, Chez La Mere Madeleine/Modern Gourmet of Madeleine Kamman, as well as current restaurants like Sycamore, Comedor, Cook and The Local. This event is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts and is cosponsored by Historic Newton.

Movies



***Coraline*, Saturday, May 6, 2:00 pm:** Stop-motion animation tale of a daring youngster who finds a magic portal that whisks her into a seemingly perfect parallel world. Rated PG. Runtime 100 minutes.

***Moonlight*, Monday, May 8, 6:30 pm:** Moonlight is the tender, heartbreaking story of a young man's struggle to find himself, told across three defining chapters in his life as he experiences the ecstasy, pain and beauty of falling in love, while grappling with his own sexuality. Rated R. Runtime 111 minutes. Enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the library.

***Manchester by the Sea*, Saturday, May 13, 2:00 pm:** A hardened handyman returns to his hometown after the death of his brother to care for his nephew; his arrival unearths his checkered past. Rated R. Runtime 137 minutes. Enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the library.

***Star Wars Symposium*, Saturday, May 20, 2:00 pm:** Come dressed as a character for the costume contest, bring your show and tell items, learn about the history of *Star Wars*, participate in a trivia contest, watch funny videos and more! For ages 5 and up. Families welcome!

***Lion*, Saturday, May 27, 2:00 pm:** An Indian man who was adopted as a child by an Australian couple searches for his birth family. Rated PG-13. Runtime 118 minutes. Enjoy light refreshments courtesy of the library.

All events are free and open to the public. Parking is free. We are an accessible facility.

The BRIDGE Process: Six Steps to Improve Your Job Search



Tuesday, May 16, 7:00 pm: Dawn Quesnel (Coach DQ) has taken effective and proven business development

strategies and applied them to the job search process to develop the Bridge Method. B.R.I.D.G.E is an acronym for the time-tested, six-step job search process that has led hundreds of people to jobs and careers they love. It takes into account individuals' specific needs, opportunities, capabilities and challenges. This session will guide you through the key components needed to develop a successful career transition strategy and drastically reduce the search time normally involved in switching jobs or careers. You will be surprised how simple this method is to learn and use, and the kind of results it will produce for you.

Dawn Quesnel, CPCC, PCC operates Career Life Balance, (www.CareerLifeBalance.net) a coaching & consulting company for professionals who want to accelerate their careers so they can love their life! She has written several books including, *BRIDGE Method for Career Changers*, *BRIDGE to Finding Your Life Purpose* and *Time-Choice Management Formula*, among others. Coach DQ has been seen on ABC-TV, FOX-TV, WGBH-TV and NECN. This program is part of the ongoing Job Seekers, Career and Professional Development series facilitated by Tammy Gooler Loeb.

(Displays contd.) and students from Newton elementary, middle and high schools. Learn how today's kids are "greening Newton" and the environment. Info: sgw.greennewton.org or email sgw@greennewton.org.

Workshops



Sign up for any of the following workshops which are taught by our Public Services Department or Employment and Training Resources

(ETR), a MA One-Stop Career Center.

Cloud Storage and Tools, Monday, May 1, 10:00-11:30 am, second floor Computer Center: This class will help you untangle Cloud computing. We'll discuss what it means when we say "the Cloud" and explore it using Dropbox and Google Drive. If you have a Dropbox or Gmail account, please bring your log in information to the class. Register online.

Hands-On Genealogy Research, Monday, May 1, 7:00-8:30 pm, second floor Computer Center: Come with questions regarding specific ancestors you are researching and what you hope to discover about them. Use our PCs or bring your laptop. Ginny Audet, our resident genealogist, will be available for questions. Register online.

Device Advice for iPhone, Tuesdays, May 2 & 16, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2H behind the second floor Computer Center: Are you having trouble with your mobile devices? Want to know more about downloading eBooks from the library? Sign up for a 30-minute one-on-one session where we will give advice about your device! Bring your iPad or iPhone. Patrons are welcome to sign up for one session every other week. Register online.

Tech Time, Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18 & 25, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2H behind the second floor Computer Center: Each person gets 30 minutes for advice. Our sessions are for educational and informational help only. For example, if your (contd. right)

(Tech Time contd.) question is, "What can I do to make my computer run faster?" we can help you. We don't do repairs (i.e. we cannot fix a broken computer). Patrons are welcome to sign up for one session every other week. Register online.

Game Night for Adults, Thursday, May 4 & Monday, May 15, 6:00-8:30 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: Drop in and play board games! Bring your own or use ours! Ages 16+ please. No registration required.

Device Advice for Android, Tuesday, May 9 & 23, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2H behind the second floor Computer Center: Are you having trouble with your mobile devices? Want to know more about downloading eBooks from the library? Sign up for a 30-minute one-on-one session where we will give advice about your device! Bring your Android tablet or smartphone. Patrons are welcome to sign up for one session every other week. Register online.

Best App Class: Language Learning Apps, Tuesday, May 9, 3:00-4:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: We'll show you some of the best free language learning apps. Register online.

Monthly Make: Upside Down Vegetable/Herb Planter, Tuesday, May 9, 7:00-8:30 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: A unique gardening approach for people that have limited ground space. Enjoy your plants at eye level, eliminating the need for bending. We will use a re-purposed 2 liter container to create a hanging garden and will provide you with everything needed to start your growing season. No registration required.

Adult Coloring, Thursday, May 11, 6:30-8:30 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: It's not just for kids! Drop in anytime for an evening of coloring. Bring your own coloring book or use some of our coloring sheets and colored pencils! No registration required.

Introduction to Word, Thursday, May 18, 9:30 am-1:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: An overview of basic word processing including entering, editing and formatting text, proofreading documents, setting them up for printing, saving them, etc. **PREREQUISITE:** Basic computer and MS Windows experience, good mouse skills (clicking, double-clicking, right-clicking and selecting text), familiarity with the keyboard, scrollbars, opening and closing documents and applications. Offered by Employment & Training Resources (ETR), a MA One-Stop Career Center. To register (required) call ETR: 508-766- 5700.

Make: Stamps, Tuesday, May 23, 7:00-8:30 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: Join us in creating your own hand-carved stamps. Try carving out positive and negative spaces, abstract designs, "Thank You" stamps, and pretty much anything you can think up! Tools and materials will be provided. Ages 18+. No registration required.

Best Apps: Photography, Wednesday, May 24, 3:00-4:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: Trying to take better photos or learn how to edit them? This class will offer apps and tips for getting great shots! Register online.

3D Printing for Adults, Thursday, May 25, 10-11:30 pm, second floor Computer Center: Learn how to design 3D objects using free computer aided design software and then print them on the library's 3D printer. For ages 18+. Register online.



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News

Let's Talk! Tuesdays, May 2-23, 12:30 pm & May 2-30, 7:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc: Free conversation groups for all levels of adult English Language Learners. No registration is necessary. Come when you can!

Let's Talk! Wednesdays, May 3-31, 10:00 am, third floor Rear Arc: Free conversation groups for all levels of adult English Language Learners. No registration is necessary. Come when you can!

Coffee, Tea and English Too! Mondays: May 22 & June 26, 10:00-11:30 am, Druker Auditorium:

- A free informal social gathering for adult English Language Learners
- Interact and make friends
- Speak English in a relaxed setting
- No registration is needed
- Refreshments courtesy of Whole Foods

For info contact Susan Bécam, Program Coordinator, 617-796-1360 or NewtonELL@minlib.net.

Managing Your Job Search

Employment & Training Resources

Framingham · Norwood

Thursday, May 11, 9:30 am-1:00 pm: Participants will learn how to organize and start their job search plan, as well as how to maneuver through the three phases and ten check points involved in the search. Space is limited, registration is required. Call the Framingham ETR Career Center at 508-766-5700 to secure a seat.

Douglas Cole, the program facilitator, is a Certified Professional Résumé Writer. For the past eight years he has been a Career Advisor at the Marlboro and Framingham One-Stop Career Centers.

Spring Fling Wrap-up



This year's Spring Fling fundraiser was a

resounding success! We are grateful to authors Elizabeth Berg and Wally Lamb, hosts Tom Ashbrook and Hank Phillippi Ryan and Mayor Setti Warren for speaking at the event. Thanks to all of our sponsors for supporting this wonderful library and to all of those who attended. The Spring Fling Committee worked tirelessly to plan the event and we extend our gratitude to them as well.

The event raised over \$80,000 for library initiatives. Thanks to the generosity of the community we will be able to fund the following new projects:

- Teen-focused seating for the new first floor Teen Space we will be creating
- Children's Activity Panels to keep our youngest patrons entertained
- Mayor Warren's Summer Reading Program to promote student literacy and learning.
- 10 new child-friendly Launchpad tablets with interactive developmental learning software.

To contribute to any of these new projects please contact Ellen Whalley Eckenrode in Development at 617-796-1407 or email her at development@newtonfreelibrary.net.

Ongoing Help for Area Small Business Owners



Every Thursday SCORE volunteers will provide area small business owners with free, one-hour counseling and advice sessions. SCORE (mentors for small businesses), America's premier source of free and confidential small business advice for entrepreneurs and small businesses, is a nonprofit association dedicated to entrepreneur education and the formation, growth and success of small business nationwide. Register (required) at boston.score.org or call 617-565-5591.

Learn Meditation and Yoga



Thursdays, May 4 & 18, 7:00-8:30 pm third floor Rear Arc: Participate

in gentle yoga poses, breathing practices and guided meditation. Use a chair or sit on the floor. No previous experience required.

Over the past seventeen years facilitator Janhavi Wadhvani has taught students and faculty at Boston College, MIT and more. Patrons age 14 and older are welcome. Come on a light stomach and bring a water bottle.

Talk to Us!



Newton Talks is an oral history project that is being conducted through the

collaborative efforts of the library, the Newton Senior Center, Historic Newton and Crossing Generations. Currently we are focused on interviewing veterans, relatives of veterans and immigrants in Newton. If you would like to be interviewed please call the Newton Senior Center at 617-796-1670. For general questions please contact Kim Hewitt at 617-796-1376.

Call for Artists



The library is seeking proposals of two-dimensional, original work by local artists for January-June 2018 shows. Exhibiting policy at newtonfreelibrary.net

under the Events tab. Deadline: **Friday, July 14 at 12 noon.** Questions? Contact Ellen at emeyers@minlib.net or call 617-796-1410.



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Crowes Pasture Performs Acoustic Folk Music for All Ages



Sunday, May 7, 2:00 pm: Crowes Pasture is the acoustic

duo of Monique Byrne and Andy Rogovin. This concert will feature a selection of unique and interesting covers of classic songs by folk masters like Bob Dylan, Leonard Cohen and Woody Guthrie, as well as a few less traditional pop songs that strike a chord lyrically or rhythmically by artists like David Byrne and Walk the Moon. They will also perform some of their own songs about love, life and the challenges we all face as individuals and families. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

An Impromptu Schubertiade



Sunday, May 14, 2:00 pm: Fredrik Wanger will perform Schubert's *Four Impromptus D. 899* and

Four Impromptus D. 935. This event is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Newton resident, Fredrik Wanger, teaches at the All Newton Music School. He is a graduate of the Oberlin and Peabody Conservatories and 1969 winner of a Fulbright Scholarship in Vienna. He currently studies and teaches at the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement (HILR).

Suzuki School Student Showcase



Sunday, May 21, 2:00 pm: Join some of the Suzuki School

of Newton's most advanced students who will perform pieces on violin, cello and piano. They will demonstrate virtuosity, skill and thrilling musicality as they play works by Fritz Kreisler, Heitor Villa-Lobos and Moritz Moszowski. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

The Suzuki School of Newton is a non-profit instrumental music school and integrated arts preschool. They offer lessons in Suzuki violin, viola, cello, double bass, piano, guitar, flute, harp, music theory and chamber music. Info at www.suzukinewton.org.

(Flying Couch contd.) and one of the "2016 Season's Best New Graphic Novels." Amy teaches writing and comics at Parsons School of Design and at the Fashion Institute of Technology.

Sonya Kurzweil, Ph.D. is a psychologist in private practice working with women, children, parents and families. She has faculty appointments at Harvard Medical School and William James College for Graduate Education in Psychology and is an Overseer at Boston Children's Museum. Her research articles have been published in the *Journal of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics*, *Infant Behavior and Development* and the *American Journal of Psychotherapy*. She co-authored a book of poetry for children with her daughter entitled *Forever Poems for Now and Then*.

Seating is limited at our concerts and programs and is provided on a first come, first served basis.

Labors of Love: New Comedies and Dramas



Thursday, May 11, 7:00 pm: The Newton Playwrights Group meets monthly at the library to introduce new material and receive

constructive feedback. Please join them as they present staged readings of original off-the-wall comedies and dramas, some based on real life events. The program, presented as part of the Newton Festival of the Arts, will include:

- *The Garden Thief*, by Jonathan Brickman. The mystery of missing flowers grows ever more mysterious.
- *The Caregiver*, by Nancy Temple. A distraught caregiver describes her tumultuous relationship with her elderly client.
- *Kumbaya*, by Sandra Weintraub. A Hell's Angel is stuck in an elevator with an elderly lady, a mutually uncomfortable situation.
- *Presidential Vice*, by GERALYN HORTON. A Black Comedy.
- *Lost and Found with ONSTAR*, by Sandra Weintraub. An innocent couple are victims of a strange GPS system that gets them hopelessly lost as they begin to question their marriage. A comedy.

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Books and Beyond



Watch *Books and Beyond* on NewTV. May's guest, Amy

Kurzweil, discusses her graphic memoir *Flying Couch* (program info p. 1). For Newton residents the show can be viewed daily on NewTV's Red/Government channel on Comcast Channel 9, RCN Channel 13 and Verizon Channel 33 at 7:30 am and 5:00 pm. The show is also available on demand at www.newtv.org. From their home page click on Programming and select *Books and Beyond*.

Clubs and Groups

African Literature Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 17, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu*, a nonfiction history of Mali, by Joshua Hammer. The group explores the rich variety of writings from Africa. They will not meet in June. Info contact: Anne Serafin at 617-527-1072.

Children's Book Writers Groups, Monday, May 15, 7:00 pm, Room A and Wednesday, May 24, 7:00 pm, Room A: Pre-registration is required. The groups are for writers who have work in progress. Monday group contact: John Bell, 617-733-5711. Wednesday group contact: Laya Stein, lasword@rcn.com.

Contemporary Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 3, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Backman. In June they will discuss *Sight Reading* by Daphne Kalotay. Info contact: Marjorie Berman 617-965-8646.

Disability Awareness Book Club, Monday, May 1, 7:00 pm, Room A: They will discuss *Unstrange Minds* by Roy Richard Grinker. In June they will discuss *The Girls: A Novel* by Lori Lansens. The purpose of the club is to engage in thought-provoking discussion centered on books across genres with a disability theme. Info contact: Jenni Acosta, Program Director at Understanding Our Differences, at jacosta@understandingourdifferences.org.

Fiction Writing Group, Tuesday, May 2, 7:00 pm, Room A: Pre-registration is required, space is limited. The group is for serious writers pursuing publication. Each month two members submit a 15-25 page draft from a short story or novel to be read and critiqued by the class. Info contact: Castellano Turner, Ph.D. at castellano.turner977@gmail.com.

Friday Music Group, Friday, May 26, 3:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: Join in our 90-minute session to begin your weekend joyfully with song. We sing and play songs of the season, some show tunes, popular standards and favorites that you suggest. Bring your instruments if desired; drop-ins welcome! Info contact: Tai at liunienlung@yahoo.com.

Genealogy Club, Wednesday, May 10, 7:00 pm, Special Collections Room: Participants are encouraged to bring records and problems from their own research for discussion. Info contact: Ginny Audet at NewtonGenealogyClub@gmail.com.

Great Books Discussion Group, Tuesday, May 9, 7:15 pm, Room A: They will discuss *Reflections on the Revolution in France* by Burke. In June they will discuss *The Education of Henry Adams* by Adams. Readings are from *Great Books Foundation publication, Fifth Series, Volume 3*. Info contact: Abra Rosenzweig at 617-964-4064.

Hooked on Books, Thursday, May 25, 7:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc: They will discuss *The Nest* by Cynthia Sweeney. Info contact: bookclub@newtonfreelibrary.net.

Memoir Writing Group, Monday, May 8, 7:00 pm, Room A: Preregistration is required, space is limited. The group is open to those interested in writing a memoir or autobiography. Meetings begin with time for writing followed by reading and sharing of work. Group members offer each other encouraging feedback. Facilitator Tom Yee is a licensed high school English teacher and Content Development Manager for a local publisher. Info contact: Tom Yee at newton.memoir@gmail.com.

Murder by the Book Club, Thursday, May 11, 10:00 am, Room B: They will discuss *Rebecca* by Daphne Du Maurier. The group discusses books with a mystery theme. They will not meet in June. Info contact Kathleen Hennrikus at khennrikus@minlib.net.

Playwrights Group, Calling All Writers and Actors! Tuesday, May 16, 7:00 pm, Room A: If you would like to try your acting chops or write a play, we invite you to join our group. We write plays, some short, some long, read them aloud and then offer feedback on how to improve our work. If you are an amateur or professional thespian, we need your talents to bring our plays to life. Info contact: Sandra Weintraub at sgweintraub@yahoo.com.

Sequences: A Women's Forum, Wednesday, May 10, 10:00 am, Trustees' Room: The group is led by Robin Mayer Stein, poet and journalist. Spark your creativity in an inspiring, intergenerational group for women. Read, converse and write in response to poems, essays and personal stories. Meet interesting people while savoring literary treats. Info contact: Robin at 617-965-2178.

Short Story Discussion Group, Monday, May 8, 7:30 pm, Trustees' Room: Registration is required for newcomers. They will discuss two stories by William Trevor, *The Ballroom of Romance* (1972) from *The Collected Stories* and *Gilbert's Mother* from *After Rain*. The group is led by Dotty Gonson and Frannie Moyer, both of whom taught at Newton South High School. Info or to register contact: Dotty at drgonson@comcast.net or 617-547-3833.

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Greening Our Community Series



Monday, May 22, 7:00 pm: Join us for the annual spring program produced and hosted by Students for a Greener World (SGW), Green Newton's student group. During this lively presentation, students of all ages from Newton schools will come together to demonstrate how they've helped the environment through projects such as:

- Bowen Elementary School's Outdoor Classroom/Garden
- Newton South's UNESCO Youth Conference on Climate Change Team
- NSHS Marine Biology Ocean Trash Project
- Newton North's Greengineers
- Students for a Greener World's interaction with schools and organizations
- 2017 Wild Boar Awards for encouraging and promoting students' environmental action, with special guest Tom Ashley of Dancing Bear Farm (Leyden, MA)

Additionally, the 2017 Annual Environmental Leadership Awards will be presented to:

- Individual: Alicia Bowman, Leader of Bike Newton
- Community Group: The Eliot Church of Newton, UCC
- Business: Auburndale Builders
- Youth: Eco-Pledge, Boston College's student-run nonprofit

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