

NEWSLETTER

Websites for Artists



**Thursday,
May 17,
7:00
pm:** Join
Rhode
Island

School of Design Adjunct Professor Clara Lieu for the second lecture in a two-part series for visual artists. Having an effective website is a major part of being a visual artist today. Even with social media, a website is the base where an artist can show the scope of their artwork. Topics will include:

- Creating a clean, easy-to-navigate artist website
- How to overcome the challenges of building your own site
- Practical advice for simple actions to clean up and reorganize your existing website
- On-the-spot critiques of several pre-selected websites sites of local artists

A Q and A session will follow. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts. Cosponsors include Newton Art Association, Newton Camera Club, Newton Cultural Alliance and Newton Open Studios.

Spontaneous Generation Improv



Tuesday, May 8, 7:00 pm: Join Newton North High School's Improv Troupe for a unique and hilarious thrill ride that will have you

sneezing with laughter from start to finish. Combining both short and long form improvisation, and relying on both audience participation and the cunning of the actors, Spon Gen is one show you will not want to miss as the troupe creates comedy before your eyes! This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Telling Our Stories: Celebrating Our Lives



**Wednesday,
May 2, 1:30-
3:00 pm:**
Join us for
an afternoon
of anecdotes

and memories. Twelve people will share unique personal stories about their experiences. Audience feedback is encouraged. This is the fourth year of this spirited program in our community. Cosponsored by Historic Newton. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

The library will be closed May 27 & 28 for Memorial Day.

You and Your Financial Future Series: Diversification and Managing your Portfolio



Tuesday, May 29, 6:30 pm: Are you on track to achieve your financial goals now and throughout your life? Join our expert panelists where you will learn about a variety of important money-related topics. In this session:

- David Griswold, President and Founder, Vantage Point Financial and Senior Lecturer in the Department of Finance and Economics at BU Questrom School of Management will contextualize the program as a moderator and panelist
- Dr. Zvi Bodie will discuss steps you can take to reduce risk and achieve your financial goals
- Aaron Stevens will discuss how you can make smart financial choices to achieve your retirement and other goals

The series is cosponsored by the City of Newton Department of Senior Services.



Art Exhibits: May 2-30

Gallery: *And the Earth Bloomed* by Irwin Thompson

Joint Reception: Wednesday, May 2, 7:00 pm

By: I. Thompson



This work is based on contemporary abstraction combined with occasional collages of photographic images. The paintings are multi-layered assemblages of opaque and translucent paint applied with brush, palette knife, sponge and finger. The artist's intent is to find his way to a related expression of the thoughts and emotions derived from the work at hand and to connect with the viewer.

Irwin Thompson has had a lifelong interest in art and poetry. He has had numerous shows in New England and has published two books of his paintings and poems, *Memories and Milestones* and *My Parallel Universe*.

Main Hall: *Aesop's Fables* by Nancy Schön

Joint Reception: Wednesday, May 2, 7:00 pm

By: N. Schön



We are still quoting the morals of Aesop, the Greek slave who was born in 2,500 BC. Each moral seems as true today as when written. Paralleling the 24 letters in the Greek alphabet, sculptor Nancy Schön has created 24 sculptures that each depicts one of Aesop's fables. Images of the sculptures

are accompanied by retelling of the fables written by award-winning author Anita Diamant. The question is: have we humans changed in all these centuries? To Ms. Schön the sculptures represent and send a profound message and are an indication of our humanity.

Nancy Schön is a Boston based sculptor known for her warm, evocative representations of human and animal figures. She has exhibited extensively throughout the U.S. and abroad and has been awarded many honors. She is best known for her *Make Way for Ducklings* sculpture in the Boston Public Garden.

Teen Gallery: *North and South, Newton High Schools Student Showcase*

By: J. Champion



The show features photographs on the gallery walls and ceramics in the free-standing display cases with representation from both Newton North (NNHS) and Newton South (NSHS) high schools. 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 spring 2018.

May Displays

Atrium 1 and 2: May is Mental Health Awareness Month! View portraits and stories of people who have experienced depression and related challenges, along with inspirational thoughts, drawn from the recent book *Portraits of Resilience* by Daniel Jackson. Info: portraitsofresilience.com.

Three Main Hall cases: Learn how students of all ages from Newton schools are working to help improve the environment (program info. p 10).

Third Floor Language and Literacy Center Country Display: Learn about Indonesia from a display of books, CDs and DVDs!

News From the Friends



Friends Book and Author Luncheon, Friday, May 11, 11:00 am, Newton Marriott

Hotel: Featuring Hallie Ephron (*You'll Never Know, Dear*) and Eileen McNamara (*Eunice: The Kennedy Who Changed the World*). Louise Kennedy will moderate. Tickets are \$45.00 per person or consider sponsoring the event at the \$75.00 or \$100.00 level. 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 5, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm and Sunday, May 6, noon to 3:00 pm: Of special note are a wide choice of children's, teens, graphic novels and sci-fi books in like-new condition, a large variety of cook books, DVDs and CDs. Location: Basement of the Auburndale Community Library at 375 Auburn St., Auburndale, MA

Playwrights Group Staged Readings

Thursday, May 24, 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 works. The program is presented as part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

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Teen & Tween Programs

Video Game Design, Tuesday, May 1, 2:30 pm, Druker Auditorium: Go from gamer to designer! Video Game Design encompasses storytelling, pixel art and object-oriented programming, all through a user-friendly, 2D game design platform. For tweens in grades 5-7. Online registration required.

Admissions 101: Secrets of College Admissions, Tuesday, May 1, 7:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: This seminar will help families separate college admissions fact from fiction. We'll discuss grades, test scores, activities and everything else colleges evaluate.

Anime/Manga Club, Wednesday, May 2, 4:00 pm, Computer Center: Activities range from anime screenings to discussion of our favorite series, manga share and swap, anime-themed crafts, cosplay workshops, art trades and more! We meet on the first Wednesday of every month. Japanese snacks will be served. Grades 6-12.



Get Started Coding, Wednesdays May 2 & 9 or May 23 & 30, 7:00 pm, Computer

Center: CodeCampKidz is giving two *Learn to Code* workshops. Build skill and self-confidence as you learn to write real HTML & CSS code progressing from the basics to more advanced topics. No experience is required. For tweens in grades 5-7. All online components are provided in audio, so kids must provide their own headset/earbuds. This is a class ONLY for kids who have not yet taken any CodeCampKidz classes. Online registration required. Pick one of the two-week sessions.

Tween Crafternoon, Tuesday, May 8, 3:30 pm, Teen Area: We meet on the second Tuesday of every month to make crafts and eat snacks. This month: upcycled milk jug lunch boxes! Grades 5-7.



LEGO WeDo, Thursday, May 10, 7:00 pm, Computer Center: Build

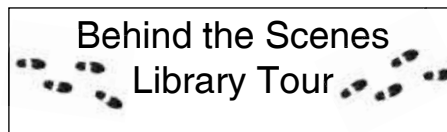
LEGO models and then program them to move and react. For tweens in grades 5-7. Online registration required.

Why Students Need To Rethink Social Media, Tuesday, May 15, 7:30 pm, Druker Auditorium: Did you know that colleges and employers actively look at students' social media profiles and that many employers use third-party background screening companies as part of their hiring process? Learn why you need to rethink your social media presence. For teens and their adults.

Typewriter Poetry, Monday, May 21, 7:00 pm, first floor Gallery: Get creative with the monthly Typewriter Poetry group. We'll use old-school typewriters and write poems for library patrons on the spot! Grades 7-12.

Got Questions About Teens or Tweens?

Contact Amanda Bressler, at abressler@minlib.net with questions about how Teens or Tweens can get involved at the library.



Friday, May 25, 11:00 am, meet inside the parking lot entrance: Have you ever wondered what goes on behind the scenes at the library? We'll be offering tours the last Friday of the month that will:

- Show you where and how we process new materials
- Introduce you to some of our talented staff members that help make the library such a special part of the community
- Get you up close to the sorter machine
- Fill you in on some of the little-known details of our wonderful library

Tours last approximately one hour. Come when you can!

Movies



Star Wars: The Last Jedi, Saturday, May 5, 2:00 pm: Rey develops her newly discovered abilities with the guidance of Luke Skywalker, who

is unsettled by the strength of her powers. Meanwhile, the Resistance prepares for battle with the First Order. Rated PG-13. Runtime 152 minutes.

All the Money in the World, Monday, May 7, 6:30 pm: The story of the kidnapping of 16-year-old John Paul Getty III and the desperate attempt by his devoted mother to convince his billionaire grandfather Jean Paul Getty to pay the ransom. Rated R. Runtime 132 minutes.

A Bug's Life, Saturday, May 12, 2:00 pm: A misfit ant, looking for "warriors" to save his colony from greedy grasshoppers, recruits a group of bugs that turn out to be an inept circus troupe. Rated PG. Runtime 96 minutes.

Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, Saturday, May 19, 2:00 pm: Four teenagers are sucked into a magical video game. The only way they can escape is to work together to finish the game. Rated PG-13. Runtime 119 minutes.

Paddington 2, Saturday, May 26, 2:00 pm: Paddington, now happily settled with the Brown family and a popular member of the local community, picks up a series of odd jobs to buy the perfect present for his Aunt Lucy's 100th birthday, only for the gift to be stolen. Rated PG. Runtime 105 minutes.



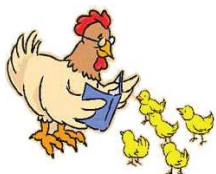
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Children's Programs

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



Drop In Storytimes: Space is limited

Make Way For Storytime (geared toward kids through age 4), space is limited, tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program:

- Mondays, May 7, 14 and 21, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Saturdays, May 5, 19 and 26, 10:30 am and 11:30 am
- Saturday, May 12, 11:30 am

Alphabet Soup (under 2), space is limited, tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program: Wednesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30, 10:00 am and 11:00 am

iStorytime (geared toward kids through age 4), Druker Auditorium: Thursdays, May 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 10:00 am

Stories and Craft (geared toward kids through age 4), Druker Auditorium: Fridays, May 4, 11, 18 and 25, 10:00 am

3-5s Activities

Storytime Surprise, Thursday, May 3, 4:00 pm: The theme is May Baskets. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Spanish Bilingual Storytime, Thursday, May 10, 4:00 pm: A special bilingual storytime with stories, songs and movement in English and Spanish. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

(3-5 contd.) Storytime Surprise, Thursday, May 17, 4:00 pm: The theme is What's In the Garden? Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

K-2

K-2 Fun, Thursday, May 24, 4:00 pm: The theme is Folktales. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Programs and Classes

Music and Movement, Tuesdays, May 1 and 22, 10:00 am, Druker Auditorium: Some weeks we'll be dancing up a storm, some singing along. Geared towards kids through age 4.

Read to a Dog at the Library, Wednesday, May 2, 4:00 pm; Saturday, May 5, 2:00 pm; and Wednesday, May 16, 4:00 pm: Our canine friends Phoebe, Poppy and Milani will visit to listen to children in grades K-5 read. Appointments are for 15 minutes. Appointment times will be sent via email once you have registered. Space is limited. Online registration required.

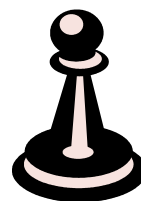
Scratch Club, Thursday, May 3, 7:00 pm, Computer Center: Kids come for an hour to explore and work with Scratch (a free programming language designed at MIT) to create games, animation and stories. For grades 3 and 4. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.



Dance and Movement Class, Tuesday, May 8, 10:00 am, Druker Auditorium: The Joanne Langione Dance Center presents a music

and movement class for toddlers and preschoolers.

Family Yoga Class, Saturday, May 12, 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.



Chessmates, Monday, May 14, 6:30 pm, Rear Arc: Have fun playing chess with general instruction and open play. All levels welcome. Chess sets, puzzles and strategy will all be provided. For ages 6-9.

Sophisticated Stories, Monday, May 14, 7:00 pm: Storytime for older kids. Enjoy cool, strange, weird and wacky picture books. And brownies! For kids in grades 3 and up - you're never too old for picture books!

Dance Party, Tuesday, May 15, 10:00 am, Druker Auditorium: Move and groove to the music! Kids and caregivers dance together. All ages.

Family Game Day, Friday, May 18, 3:00 pm: Drop in for family games and activities time with your child(ren) and your neighbors. Games, building materials and other activities for all ages will be available.

Toy Car Paint Tracks, Tuesday, May 22, 2:30 pm, Outside: Come drive our toy cars through paint to make different colored tire tracks! When your car is covered with paint, give it a bath in our kiddie car wash. Messy fun for ages 3 and up! Meet outside near Winnie-the-Pooh, or in Druker in case of rain.

Matt Heaton Family Singalong, Tuesday, May 29, 10:00 am, Druker Auditorium: Peppered with well-known classics and a few soon-to-be classics, and performed with panache on guitar and banjo, Matt makes music for parents and kids alike. Appropriate for all ages.

Call for Artists

The library is seeking proposals of two-dimensional, original work by local artists for January-June 2019 shows. Exhibiting policy at newtonfreelibrary.net under the Events tab. Deadline: **Friday, July 13 at 12 noon.** Questions? Contact Ellen at emeyers@minilib.net or call 617-796-1410.



Let's Talk! Tuesdays, May 1-22, 7:00 pm and Wednesdays, May 2-23, 10:00 am & 12:30 pm, 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! Monday: May 14, 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, NewtonELL@minlib.net.

How to Succeed in a Job Interview

Monday, May 21, 9:30 am-1:00 pm: The One-Stop Career Center in Framingham will present a workshop where jobseekers will learn how to:

- Prepare for an interview by knowing their accomplishments and researching the company
- Present themselves to make the best first impression
- Visualize the interview as a conversation rather than an interrogation
- Ask for the job!
- Send a thank-you note even if you don't get the job

The workshop will be facilitated by Doug Cole, a career advisor at the One-Stop Career Center. Space is limited, registration is required. Call 508-861-7993 to secure a seat.

Ongoing Help for Area Small Business Owners



Every Thursday, every second Wednesday and every fourth Tuesday

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.

SCORE Workshop: Business Boot Camp for the Working Artist

Wednesday, May 2, 10:00 am: Who says there is no clear path to becoming a successful artist? This workshop will demystify the business steps artists need to take when starting their career or building their practice to the next level. Learn the eight most important things to get your art work out of the studio and into the hands of a buyer.

The workshop will be facilitated by SCORE Mentor Laura Beechwood. Register (required) at: boston.score.org or call 617-565-5591.

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



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Job Seekers! Say No and Learn to Create What You Really Want



Thursday, May 3, 7:00 pm: Learn how to create the job and career you want in this workshop, based on William

Ury's *The Power of a Positive No*. Navigating the demands of a job search, negotiating new work arrangements and actively pursuing professional development all require the ability to say no. Join us for this fun, interactive session that will focus on practical tips to saying no without burning bridges.

Workshop leader Amy Rebecca Gay, PhD, is a coach, mediator and trainer with Five Rhythms Consulting. Info at: www.consultfr.com. This program is part of the ongoing Job Seekers, Career and Professional Development series facilitated by Career and Executive Coach Tammy Gooler Loeb.

Learn to Practice Meditation and Yoga



Thursdays, May 3 & 17, 7:15-8:30 pm, third floor Rear Arc: Participate in gentle yoga poses,

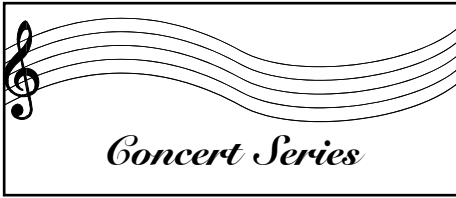
breathing practices and guided meditation. Use a chair or sit on the floor. No previous experience required. Come on a light stomach and bring a water bottle. Patrons age 14 and older are welcome. Facilitator Janhavi Wadhvani has taught students and faculty at Boston College, MIT and more.

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. For further information call the Newton Senior Center at 617-796-1670.



India Tunes: Tagore Moods and Melodies

Image by: Shreya Goswami



Sunday, May 6, 2:00 pm: Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), the first Asian to have won a Nobel prize, is endeared by Bengalis

all over the world. His 3,000 song compositions are deeply insightful, melodious, lilting and rhythmic. Maitreyee Chakraborty will give a unique presentation of Tagore's music with Tabla, guitar, keyboard and translated lyrics in a PowerPoint presentation. The accompanists will be:

- Ayon Basumallick, keyboard
- Debadeep Bhattacharyya, guitar
- Koushik Chakrabarty, tabla

This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts and ArtWeek MA.

In the Name of Love: Newton Family Singers Rock the Music of U2



Sunday, May 13, 2:00 pm: Let out your inner Rock Star and come belt along with Newton Family Singers (NFS) as they perform anthems of passion and justice by Irish superstars U2! The chorus will perform iconic U2 favorites as well as some lesser-known, poignant gems. From infectious memorable refrains that will have the audience singing along, to beautiful sonic landscapes recreated by the NFS band, this concert has something for every generation. (contd. right)

The Newton Family Singers is an intergenerational family chorus that brings together families and friends of all ages to sing folk music. They share a common interest in creating a musically rich community where all members, adults and children, are nurtured and encouraged to sing, create, learn and perform as an integral part of daily life. This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

Sounds of the South



Sunday, May 20, 2:00 pm: Latin American music is filled with the

history and journey of ancestors who were searching for a better future. African, Indigenous and European mix people created a style that is predominantly full of glee and the joy of living. Join the Nacho González Quartet as they perform works such as *La Última Curda*, *Anibal Troilo*, *Cuesta Abajo*, *Gardel & Lepera*, *Pensamientos*, *Una Sonrisa* and more. The performers will be:

- Nacho González, acoustic guitar
- Kento Tsubosaka, piano
- Takafumi Nikaido, percussion
- Special guest on clarinet and saxophone

This program is part of the Newton Festival of the Arts.

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

ENJOY EXPLORE CREATE DISCOVER

Sign up for any of the following sessions to explore, create and discover at the Newton Free Library. Sessions are led by our Public Services Department.

Tech Time

- **Tuesdays, May 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29**
- **Wednesdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30**
- **Thursdays, May 3, 17, 24 & 31, all at 3:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2E**
- **Fridays May 4, 11, 18 & 25, 10:00-11:00 am, Study Room 2E:** Bring your devices and questions for a 30 minute one-on-one tech help session. Patrons are welcome to sign up for one session every other week. Register online.

Monthly Make: Origami,

Wednesday, May 9, 7:00-8:30 pm, location TBD: Want to learn the art of Origami? This is your chance! Come learn from one of the librarians who folded all those paper cranes hanging in the atrium. Ages 18+.

Game Night for Adults, Thursday, May 10 & Monday, May 21, 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.

Genealogy: Going Online with Census and Vital Records Monday, May 14, 7:00-8:30 pm, Computer Center:

When you begin researching your family history online, the first documents you'll usually encounter include U.S. census records and birth, marriage and death records. Census records are often only signposts. Vital records are usually more reliable. Why? Resident genealogist, Ginny Audet, will discuss these two heavily used record types and give tips relating to online genealogical research. Register online.

Clubs and Groups

African Literature Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 16, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *Born a Crime*, a memoir by Trevor Noah of South Africa. In June they will discuss *A Grain of Wheat*, a novel by Ngugi wa Thiong'o of Kenya. This book may also be listed under James Ngugi. Info contact: Anne Serafin at 617-527-1072.

Children's Book Writers Group, Monday, May 21, 7:00 pm, Room A: Pre-registration is required. The group is for adult writers who are working on picture books, easy readers and other work for younger children. Info contact: John Bell at 617-733-5711.

Contemporary Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, May 2, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *Elizabeth is Missing* by Emma Healey. In June they will discuss *The Beginning of Spring* by Penelope Fitzgerald. Info contact: Marjorie Berman at 617-965-8646.

NEW! Deathstars and Dragons Sci-fi Fantasy Book Club, Tuesday, May 15, 7:00 pm, Room B: They will discuss *The Paper Menagerie* by Ken Liu. In June they will discuss *All the Birds in the Sky* by Charlie Jane Anders. Info contact: Erica Yuen at eyuen@minlib.net.

Disability Awareness Book Club, Monday, May 7, 7:00 pm Room A: They will discuss *A Piece of the World: A Novel* by Christina Baker Kline. In June they will discuss *The Boys in the Bunkhouse: Servitude and Salvation in the Heartland* by Dan Barry. Info contact: Jenni Acosta at jacosta@understandingourdifferences.org.

Fiction Writing Group, Tuesday, May 1, 7:00 pm, Room A: Pre-registration is required, space is limited. The group is for serious writers pursuing publication. Info contact: Castellano Turner, Ph.D. at castellano.turner977@gmail.com.

French Conversation Club: Thursdays, May 3 & 17, 7:00 pm, Room B: Learn about French language and culture in a conversation club that is geared towards adults with intermediate speaking skills. Info contact Magali at magali.denispoirier@gmail.com.

Friday Music Group, Friday, May 25, 3:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: Drop-ins welcome! Info contact: Tai at liunienlung@yahoo.com.

Genealogy Club, Wednesday, May 9, 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 8, 7:15 pm, Room A: They will discuss *The Great Debate* by Levin. In June they will discuss *The Knight of Faith* by Kierkegaard. Info contact: Abra Rosenzweig at 617-964-4064.

Hooked on Books, Thursday, May 24, 7:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc: They will discuss *The Stranger in the Woods* by Michael Finkel. Info contact: Sara Levine at bookclub@newtonfreelibrary.net.

Memoir Writing Group, Monday, May 14, 7:00 pm, Room A: Preregistration is required, space is limited. The group is open to those interested in writing a memoir or autobiography. Info contact: Tom Yee at newton.memoir@gmail.com.

New Evening Session Added! Murder by the Book Club, Tuesday, May 8, 10:00 am & Thursday, May 10, 7:00 pm, Room B: Registration is required for newcomers for the morning session. Both groups will discuss *Morbid Taste for Bones* by Ellis Peters. In June they will discuss *The Long Goodbye* by Raymond Chandler. Info or to register contact: Kathleen Hennrikus at khennrikus@minlib.net.

NEW! Now What? Coffee, Tea & Conversation for 55+, Wednesday, May 9, 10:00-11:30 am, Meeting Room B: An informal group for people age 55+ to socialize and engage in conversation on topics that are most important to them. Next meeting, June 13. Cosponsored by the City of Newton Department of Senior Services. Info contact: Margaret Leipsitz, 617-796-1665 or mleipsitz@newtonma.gov.

Playwrights Group, Tuesday, May 8, 7:00 pm, Study Room 2H behind the second floor Computer Center: We write plays, some short, some long, read them aloud and then offer feedback on how to improve our work. Info contact: Sandra Weintraub at sgweintraub@yahoo.com.

Sequences: A Women's Forum, Wednesday, May 9, 10:00 am, Trustees' Room: Spark your creativity in an inspiring, intergenerational group for women. Info contact: Robin at 617-965-2178.

Short Story Discussion Group, Monday, May 14, 7:30 pm, Trustees' Room: Registration is required for newcomers. They will discuss James Baldwin's *Sonny's Blues* and Chinamanda Ngoze Adichie's *Apollo*. Info or to register contact: Dotty at drgonson@comcast.net or 617-547-3833.

New! Spanish Conversation Club, Fridays, May 4 & 18, 9:30 am, Room B: Learn about Spanish language and culture in a conversation club that is geared towards adults with intermediate speaking skills. Info contact Maria at mbarvelo@gmail.com.

Tween/Teen Book Writers Group, Wednesday, May 23, 7:00 pm, Room A: Pre-registration is required. The group is for adult writers who have work in progress focusing on Tween and Teen novels. Info contact: Josh at chapter11studios@gmail.com.



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2018 Green Submarine Tour de Newton!



Monday, May 21, 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! At this lively presentation, students of all ages from Newton schools come together to show how they're helping the environment through projects such as:

- Peirce Elementary's Outdoor Classroom/Garden
- Underwood Elementary's Recycling & Composting Green Machine
- Newton South High School's Marine Biology Shark Team
- Newton North High School's Nicaragua Ecology Trip
- SGW's community outreach

The evening's events will include presentations of the 2018 Wild Boar Awards and the Annual Environmental Leadership Awards. This event is part of the Greening Our Community Series and is cosponsored by Green Newton.

The Newton Free Library brings the community together to enjoy, explore, create and discover.

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