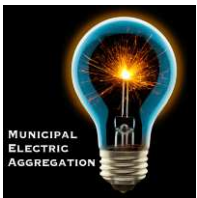


Newton Free Library
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**November
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NEWSLETTER

Newton Power Choice Program



Monday, November 27, 7:00 pm: The City of Newton is working on a proposal called

Newton Power Choice to purchase electricity on behalf of all Newton residents. Find out about the program at a panel discussion that will explain:

- What *Newton Power Choice* is
- How it could increase the content of renewable electricity produced in New England from solar and wind
- How the program might impact your electric bill
- Options within the contract to opt out, opt down or opt up

The panel will include Ann Berwick, Newton's Co-director of Sustainability, and Jim Purdy, Eric Olson and Halina Brown who represent Newton Citizens Commission on Energy. This program is part of the Greening Our Community Series and is cosponsored by Green Newton.

Job Seeker Series: The Art of the Schmooze



Thursday, November 16, 7:00 pm: Do you feel awkward at

networking events? Do you miss opportunities to connect with new people, community members and colleagues because you don't know the best way to approach them at events? Join Robbie Samuels for an engaging session that will offer tips and tricks to help extroverts and introverts learn how to network. He will cover the basics of how to work a room, from having the right tools to knowing the best approach to engage prospective contacts and collaborators while cultivating community support.

Robbie Samuels has been recognized as a "networking expert" by *Inc.* and *Lifehacker*. He is the author of the best-selling book titled *Croissants vs. Bagels: Strategic, Effective, and Inclusive Networking at Conferences*. Tune into *On the Schmooze*, his weekly podcast on leadership and networking, to be inspired by the talented professionals he interviews. Visit www.RobbieSamuels.com/tips to download *10 Tips for Conference Connections*.

This program is part of the ongoing Job Seekers, Career and Professional Development series facilitated by Executive and Career Coach Tammy Gooler Loeb.

AARP Fraud Watch Network



Wednesday, November 8, 7:00

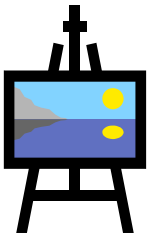
pm: Join us for an informative discussion on how to spot and avoid identity theft and fraud so you can protect yourself and your family. Neil H. Cohen, CFE, CIG, MCPPO, Deputy Director Audit, Oversight & Investigations, Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General, will facilitate.

Con artists don't care how hard you have worked! They steal billions from Americans each year. AARP Massachusetts is fighting back with the AARP Fraud Watch Network, an educational effort to help people protect themselves from scams and fraud. Brought to you by AARP and cosponsored the City of Newton Department of Senior Services. The program is free and open to the public. Visit: aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork.

Please note seating is limited and will be provided on a first come, first served basis.

The library will be closed:

- Friday, November 10 for Veterans' Day
- Thursday, November 23 for Thanksgiving



Art Exhibits: November 2-29

Gallery: *Tied* by Matt Brand

Joint Reception: Thursday, November 2, 7:00 pm

By: M. Brand



The original spark for the "Specular Holography" in this show was a glint of light traveling on holiday tinsel in a Chicago blues bar. On each metal plate, you see glints of light travel along thousands of microscopically engraved grooves that function like curved pieces of tinsel. When you move, the responsive motion of these dots of light is just enough to cue your visual imagination, which

generously hallucinates 3D surfaces and volumes.

Matt Brand is founder of Zintaglio Arts, an art studio devoted to new ways of engaging the senses. Recent installations include *Illuminus*, the National Museum of Mathematics, the Governors Island National Monument, *Burning Man* and the Museum of Holography.

Main Hall: *Poetry Drawn and Cut* by Leslie Goldman

Joint Reception: Thursday, November 2, 7:00 pm

By: L. Goldman



This work is an exploration of the feminine and the decorative. It is an investigation of language, line, pattern and light. Text and images are selected through elimination. Another layer of possibilities is added by using discarded books that are deconstructed and reconstructed. Exhibiting the work in the library adds a further layer of context, giving the pages new life.

Leslie Goldman is a multi-media artist who investigates organic and decorative forms from a feminist perspective. After teaching art for many years, she received her Post-Baccalaureate

Certificate from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts. She continues to teach and work in Boston.

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.

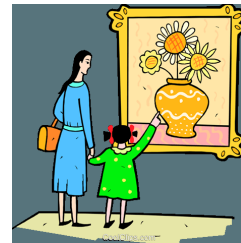
November Display Cases On view November 2-29

Atrium Cases 1 and 2: AARP is the nation's largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. Learn about AARP, the history of the organization and how it continues to make a difference in people's lives. For more information visit www.aarp.org/ma or call 1-866-448-3621. (Program information p. 1)

Three Main Hall Cases: View a private collection of miniature shoes from around the world made with a variety of materials including porcelain, leather, metal, glass, fabric, ceramic and wood. Info contact: Barbara Rutberg at blrutberg@msn.com.

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

Discounted Passes to Area Museums for Newton Residents



The library offers Newton residents discounted passes to over 20 area museums including the

Discovery Museum, the Children's Museum, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, the Peabody Essex Museum, the Museum of Science and more. Reserve your pass online at newtonfreelibrary.net or call 617-796-1360.

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.

Teen Programs



Make Your Own Comic Book Series, Wednesdays, November 1 & 8, 6:30

pm, second floor Teen Area: In this series of workshops we'll learn about comic book drawing, storytelling, structure, paneling and more! Each meeting will focus on a different part of the creative process. By the end you'll have a comic book of your own! Register online. Grades 7-12.

Teen Crafterhours, Monday, November 13, 7:00 pm, second floor Teen Area: We meet on the second Monday of every month to make crafts and eat snacks. This month it's floral headdresses! Grades 7-12.



Typewriter Poetry, Monday, November 20, 7:00 pm, first floor Art Gallery: Get creative with the monthly

Typewriter Poetry group. We'll be getting together to use old-school typewriters and write poems for library patrons on the spot! Grades 7-12.

Books & Brownies, Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 pm, second floor Teen Area: Join us for the parent/guardian and teen book club and enjoy brownies! This month we'll be discussing *Burn Baby Burn* by Meg Medina. Grades 9-12 and their adult are welcome!

Got Questions About Teens?

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



Anime/Manga Club, Wednesday, November 1, 4:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: Come meet and hang out with lovers of all things anime! Activities will range from anime screenings, to discussion of our favorite series, manga share and swap, anime-themed crafts, cosplay workshops, art trades and more! We'll meet on the first Wednesday of every month. Yummy Japanese snacks will be served. Grades 5-7. Register online.



Creative Writing Series, November 6, 8, 13 & 15, 4:00 pm, second floor Computer Center: Discover what you are interested in writing about and then practice the skills needed to create

your own form of writing. You will be encouraged to try out new things, be willing to struggle so you can get better and write from the heart. This is a four-part series led by author Bobby Uttaro. Registration is for all four workshops. Grades 5-8.

Tween Crafternoon, Tuesday, November 14, 3:30 pm, second floor Teen Area: Crafternoons are back! We meet on the second Tuesday of every month to make crafts and eat snacks. This month: Floam! Grades 5-7.

Engineering Club, Wednesday, November 29, 7:00 pm, first floor Periodicals Area: Be a problem solver! Take on a new engineering challenge each week. Get creative, think outside the box and hang out with like-minded kids. Club members get to choose the projects! Bring your project ideas and we'll vote on the one we want to do the next month. When you register, (required) you register for all remaining sessions (12/20 and 1/24). Grades 5-7.

Poetry Reading and Open Mike



Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 pm: Wendy Drexler, Margaret Young and Scott Ruescher will give readings this month.

An open mike will follow with a limit of one poem per person. Come early to sign up for the open mike; limited slots are available, time permitting. The series is facilitated by Doug Holder of Ibbetson Street Press.

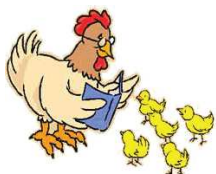
Wendy Drexler's third poetry collection, *Before There Was Before*, was published in March by Iris Press. She is also the author of *Western Motel* (Turning Point, 2012) and a chapbook, *Drive-ins, Gas Stations, the Bright Motels* (Pudding House, 2007). Her work has been featured on Verse Daily, WBUR's *Cognoscenti* and in numerous anthologies.

Margaret Young is the author of the poetry collection *Blight Summer* (Finishing Line Press). She has taught and done residencies in many settings. Her most recent collection, *Almond Town*, appeared with Bright Hill Press in 2011. She teaches at Endicott College and was recently appointed to the faculty of the Global Center for Advanced Studies.

Scott Ruescher won the 2013 Erika Mumford Prize for poetry about travel and international culture from the New England Poetry Club for *Looking for Lorca*—one of the eleven poems in his chapbook *Perfect Memory* (Finishing Line Press, 2015). Ruescher coordinates the Arts in Education program at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and teaches in the Boston University Prison Education program.

Children's Programs

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



Drop In Story-times: Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Make Way for Storytime (geared towards kids through age 4):

- Mondays, November 6, 13 and 27, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Tuesdays, November 7 and 14, 10:00 am and 11:00 am
- Saturday, November 4, 11:30 am
- Saturdays, November 11 and 18, 10:30 am and 11:30 am

Alphabet Soup (under 2 only):

Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15 and 29, 10:00 am and 11:00 am

iStorytime (geared towards kids through age 4), Druker Auditorium:

Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16 and 30, 10:00 am

Stories and Craft (geared towards kids through age 4), Druker Auditorium:

Fridays, November 3 and 17, 10:00 am

3-5s Activities

Storytime Surprise, Thursday, November 2, 4:00 pm: The theme is Squirrels. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.



Puppet Pals, Monday, November 6, 2:00 pm:

Join Morgan for a puppet-filled storytime! There will be songs, stories and lots of puppet friends. A craft will follow. Space is limited. Tickets will

be available 15 minutes before the program.

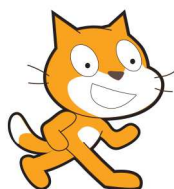
(3-5s contd.) Spanish Bilingual Drop-in Storytime, Thursday, November 9, 4:00 pm: A special bilingual storytime with stories, songs and movement in English and Spanish. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Storytime Surprise, Thursday, November 16, 4:00 pm: The theme is Forest Animals. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

K-2

K-2 Fun, Thursday, November 30, 4:00 pm: The theme is Houses! Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.

Programs and Classes:



Scratch Club, Thursday, November 2, 7:00 pm, second floor Computer Center:

In our monthly Scratch Club, 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.

A Harvest Style Starry Night, Friday, November 3, 4:00 pm, Druker Auditorium:

Join Kidcasso for a special afternoon inspired by Vincent Van Gogh! Kids will take a journey into the colorful and fluid world of Van Gogh by exploring his most famed piece, *Starry Night*. Each child will have a chance to create a one-of-a-kind work of art on canvas. We will use inks, oil pastels and liquid water colored paints. Dress for mess, but just in case, aprons and hand wipes will be provided. For kids ages 4-9. Space is limited. Tickets will be available 15 minutes before the program.



Family Yoga Class, Saturday, November 4, 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.

Crazy 8s Math Club, Mondays, November 6, 13, 20 and 27, 4:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: Crazy 8s makes math fun through hands-on projects and games that teach basic math concepts. For grades K-2. Online registration required. When you register, you register for ALL remaining sessions.

Chessmates, Mondays, November 6 and 27, 6:30 pm, first floor Periodicals Area: 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.

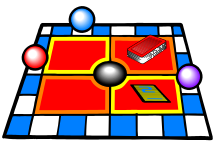
Read to a Dog at the Library, Wednesday, November 8, 4:00 pm and Saturday, November 18, 2:00 pm: Our canine friends Milani and Poppy will visit to listen to children in grades K-5 read. Appointments are for fifteen minutes. Appointment times will be sent via email once you have registered. Space is limited. Online registration required.

Sophisticated Stories, Monday, November 13, 7:30 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!



Adventures in Reading, Wednesday, November 15, 6:30 pm:

Let's take a look at books! For children in kindergarten with a caregiver. Adults and children read the book in advance, and then join Sandy for book exploration and fun related activities. When you register (required), you register for all sessions remaining 12/20 and 1/17).



(Children's contd.) **Family Game Day, Friday, November 17, 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.

Dance and Movement Class, Tuesday, November 21, 10:00 am, Druker Auditorium: The Joanne Langione Dance Center presents a music and movement class for toddlers and preschoolers.



Matt Heaton Family Singalong, Tuesday, November 28, 10:00 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.

Intro To Ozobots, Wednesday, November 29, 4:00 pm: Master the basics of our Ozobots robots, the community prize from our Summer Reading Challenge. No robotics experience required! For kids in grades 2-4. Online registration (required) begins Wednesday, November 8.



Watch **Books and Beyond** on **NewTV**. November's

guest, Elisabeth Cianciola, an Aquatic Scientist with the Charles River Watershed Association, discusses river water quality and a feasibility study to remove the Watertown dam. 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*. (Program information p. 10)

News from the Friends



The Friends will hold a book sale on **Saturday, December 2** from

10:00 am - 3:00 pm and **Sunday, December 3** from **noon - 3:00 pm**.

Featured will be:

- Books perfect for holiday giving
- Many best sellers and recently published books
- A wide selection of books for children, tweens and teens
- Cookbooks in excellent condition
- Lots of art, photography and architecture books
- A large variety of history and biography

Support the Friends of the library when you eat at Cabot's Ice Cream on Wednesday, November 1. They will generously donate 20% of the day's proceeds to the Friends. You must present a coupon to your server. Hard copy coupons will be available at library self-check stations and on the library's website for use with mobile phones.

The Friends of the Library wish to thank the Brewer's Coalition for their generous donation. We also thank everyone who supported this September restaurant fund-raiser initiative. All proceeds benefit the library.

Learn Meditation and Yoga



Thursdays, November 2 & 16, 7:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc:

Participate in gentle yoga poses, breathing practices and guided meditation. No previous experience required. Patrons age 14 and older are welcome. Come on a light stomach and bring a water bottle.

Please Give to the Library's Annual Appeal!



Watch for this year's Annual Appeal letter which will be mailed in early November.

Your generosity will help the Trustees:

- **Fund our Teen Study Nights:** In 2017 we held our first Teen Study Nights during high school finals week. The library was open until 11:00 pm for several nights and we had refreshments, supplies and support for the kids. The response was tremendous and we plan to do it again.
- **Ensure that our collections remain fresh and new:** Each year we add 35,000-40,000 items to our collection. Your donations both direct and through the Friends of the Library, pay for nearly 20% of those new collection items.
- **Expand electronic access to our collection materials:** This year we want to increase the budget for the use of *hoopla* by 50%. *hoopla* allows patrons to stream audiobooks, movies, eBooks and music on their mobile devices.
- **Furnish new and reimagined spaces:** Last year your support enabled the Trustees to purchase new chairs for Druker Auditorium. In the coming year we want to:
 - o Purchase new seating for our Teen & Tween areas
 - o Look ahead to next year as we explore ways to expand and create more interactive spaces for our enthusiastic younger patrons who use the Children's Room.

Tax-deductible checks may be made out to: The Trustees of the Newton Free Library, 330 Homer St, Newton, MA 02459, Attn: Development Office. Or, visit newtonfreelibrary.net and click on the donate button. For more information contact: Ellen Whalley Eckenrode in the Development Office at 617-796-1407 or email development@newtonfreelibrary.net.

Thank you so much for your support!

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, Thursdays, November 2, 9, 16 & 30, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2E: Each person gets 30 minutes for advice. Our sessions are for educational and informational help only. For example, if your 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.

Tracking your Ancestors Using Local Resources, Monday, November 6, 7:00-8:30 pm, Special Collections room: This workshop will provide an introduction to some of the resources in our own Special Collections room. Learn how to find and contact local libraries, historical and genealogical societies and people with similar interests to assist you with your genealogical research. Familiarizing yourself with local resources near where your ancestor lived can also be helpful. Register online.

Device Advice for iPhone/iPad, Tuesdays, November 7 & 21, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2E: 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.

Game Night for Adults, Thursday, November 9 & Monday, November 20, 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.

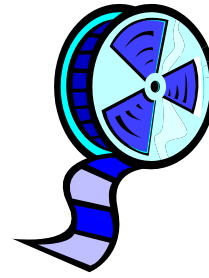
Intro to Social Media, Tuesday, November 14, 10:00-11:30 am, second floor Computer Center: Have you ever wondered why people always seem to be on their computers, smartphones and tablets? Do you wonder what they're doing? Take this class for a basic introduction to various social media platforms including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Yelp and Google Reviews. You'll learn what they are, how people use them and how you can get started!

Device Advice for Android, Tuesday, November 14 & 28, 2:00-4:00 pm, Study Room 2E: 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.

Monthly Make: Pop-Up Cards, Tuesday, November 14, 7:00-8:30 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: Start your holiday correspondence early with pop-up cards and cut-out cards! Join us as we make themed cards for the holiday season. Bring your own designs or try one of our pop-up templates. Ages 18+. No registration required.

Sign up for weekly library event reminders on our website at www.newtonfreelibrary.net on the Events page.

Movies



Toy Story, Saturday, November 4, 2:00 pm: Woody, a cowboy doll, is Andy's favorite. But when Buzz Lightyear arrives the space hero

takes Andy's room by storm! Their rivalry leaves them lost and in a nightmare with Sid, the toy-torturing boy next door. To escape they need to work together. Rated G. Runtime 81 minutes.

Going in Style, Monday, November 6, 6:30 pm: Lifelong buddies Willie (Morgan Freeman), Joe (Michael Caine) and Albert (Alan Arkin) decide to buck retirement and step off the straight-and-narrow when their pension funds become a corporate casualty. Desperate to pay the bills and come through for their loved ones, the three men risk it all by embarking on a daring adventure to knock off the very bank that absconded with their money. Rated PG-13. Runtime 96 minutes.

The Emoji Movie, Saturday, November 18, 2:00 pm: Hidden inside a smartphone, the bustling city of Textopolis is home to all emojis. Each emoji has only one facial expression, except for Gene, an exuberant emoji with multiple expressions. Determined to become "normal" like the other emojis, Gene enlists the help of his best friend Hi-5 and a notorious code breaker called Jailbreak. Rated PG. Runtime 91 minutes.

The Lion King, Saturday, November 25, 2:00 pm: In this Disney animated classic, lion cub and future king Simba searches for his identity. His eagerness to please others and penchant for testing his boundaries sometimes gets him into trouble. Rated G. Runtime 87 minutes.



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Coffee, Tea and English Too! Monday, November 13, 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

Let's Talk! Tuesday, November 7, 12:30-2:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc:

Free conversation group for all levels of adult English Language Learners. No registration is necessary. Come when you can!

Let's Talk! Wednesday sessions run November 1-15, 10:00-11:30 am, third floor Rear Arc:

Free conversation group for all levels of adult English Language Learners. No registration is necessary. Come when you can!



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Ongoing Help for Area Small Business Owners



Every Thursday and every second Wednesday, 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 *Conscious Capitalism: A Better Way for Business*

Tuesday, November 14, 10:00 am: Bob Scoville, President and Head Coach for Performance Talks, Inc., will lead an engaging and thought-provoking session for business owners who want to learn about sustainable and effective business practices. If you're frustrated with the current negative political climate, this workshop will help you see that your business can create the change you want to see in the world. Hear how other businesses create value not only for their shareholders but also for their employees, customers, vendors, the community and the environment. The format will include a presentation and small group discussions. Register (required) at: boston.score.org or call 617-565-5591.

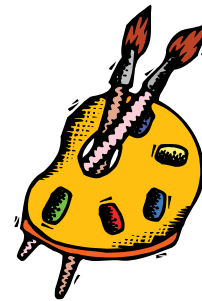
Talk to Us!



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 July-December 2018 shows. Exhibiting policy at newtonfreelibrary.net under the Events

tab. Deadline: **Friday, December 8, 2017 at 12 noon.** Questions? Contact Ellen at emeyers@minlib.net or call 617-796-1410.

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



Trio Notturmo Returns



Sunday, November 5, 2:00 pm: Join Trio Notturmo for a performance

of works by Beethoven, Harald Genzmer and Bernard Rands. The members of the trio are Deirdre Viau, flute, Ken Allen, viola and Maria Rindenello-Parke, harp.

Deirdre Viau is currently a core member of the Boston New Music Initiative. Ken Allen, a founding member of Trio Notturmo, has performed with many ensembles in the Greater Boston area and beyond. Maria Rindenello-Parke, harp, performs with Callithumpian Consort, the Cambridge Symphony Orchestra, the Amaryllis Chamber Ensemble and other Greater-Boston area ensembles.

Some Assembly Required



Sunday, November 12, 2:00 pm: Justin Stanley, horn, Justin

Croushore, trombone, and Cholong Park, piano, will give a concert of music inspired by poetry. The repertoire will range from songs by Brahms to contemporary improvisations on poetry.

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

A Musical Potpourri



Sunday, November 19, 2:00 pm: Sarah Eastman, soprano, will be joined by All Newton Music School (ANMS) faculty Rita Moerschel, pianist, and Michelle

Shoemaker, clarinetist, for a concert of works by Mozart, Schumann, Cooke, Larsen, Hoiby, Bock, Gershwin and more. The concert is cosponsored by ANMS.

Sarah Eastman is active in art song, oratorio, opera, early music and choral repertoire. She was a member of The Boston Conservatory Conductor's Choir, an elite graduate choir, the Boston Conservatory chamber ensemble and was a featured soloist on several of the Composer Recital Series concerts. She has performed at Symphony Hall with Tanglewood Festival Chorus and the Boston Pops, and Longwood Opera's Summer Concert Series, Jordan Hall as part of Odyssey Opera chorus, among others.

Solo Cello Music



Kate Kayaian

Sunday, November 26, 2:00 pm: Cellist Kate Kayaian will return to the

library to perform solo works by Bach, Harbison, Hovanes and Cassado.

Kate Kayaian is known for her stunning artistry and her passion for collaboration. Following her studies at the New England Conservatory of Music, she won a three-year fellowship with the New World Symphony where she performed as principal cellist under the baton of Music Director Michael Tilson Thomas. Kate is the Director of Chamber Music for the Boston Youth Symphony Orchestras and maintains an active studio of private students.

Living and Aging in Newton Series



Thursday, November 30, 7:00 pm: Did you know that last year Newton was designated as a member of

the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities, an affiliate of the World Health Organization Age-Friendly Cities and Communities Program? Since then over 300 Newton residents have participated in Planning for a Livable All Age-Friendly Newton (PLAAN) listening sessions where they shared their vision for how Newton could become better equipped to serve the needs of our aging residents.

Join us for an opportunity to learn about the results of the listening sessions and provide feedback on priorities for how to address social isolation, increase mobility, improve housing options and more. Residents of all ages are encouraged to participate.

The program will be facilitated by Margaret Leipsitz, City of Newton Department of Senior Services Outreach and Engagement Coordinator. Cosponsored by the City of Newton Department of Senior Services and the Newton Council on Aging.

National Novel Writing Month



Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, 7:00 pm, third floor Language Center desk area: Drop in to work on your novel during National Novel Writing

Month. Meet others participating in NaNoWriMo, or just concentrate in a quiet, dedicated space. Bring your own laptop or other device, or use one of our computers (limited availability). No registration required.

Clubs and Groups

African Literature Discussion Group, Wednesday, November 15, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *Confession of the Lioness*, a novel by Mia Couto of Mozambique. In December they will discuss *Never Look an American in the Eye*, by Okey Ndibe of Nigeria. Info contact: Anne Serafin at 617-527-1072.

Children's Book Writers Group, Monday, November 20, 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. Contact: John Bell at 617-733-5711.

Contemporary Books Discussion Group, Wednesday, November 1, 7:30 pm, Room A: They will discuss *The Meursault Investigation* by Kamel Daoud. In December they will discuss *The Snow Child* by Eowyn Ivey. Info contact: Marjorie Berman at 617-965-8646.

NEW! Deathstars and Dragons Sci-fi Fantasy Book Club, Tuesday, November 21, 7:00 pm, Room B: They will discuss *Neuromancer* by William Gibson. In December they will discuss *Left Hand of Darkness* by Ursula K. Le Guin. Info contact: Erica Yuen at eyuen@minlib.net.

Disability Awareness Book Club, Monday, November 6, 7:00 pm Room A: They will discuss *Little Nothing* by Marisa Silver. In December they will discuss *The Boy Who Loved Too Much: a True Story of Pathological Friendliness* by Jennifer Latson. Info contact: Jenni Acosta at jacosta@understandingourdifferences.org.

Fiction Writing Group, Tuesday, November 7, 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.

NEW! French Conversation Club: Thursdays, November 2 & 16, 7:00 pm, Room B: Learn about French language and culture in a conversation club that is geared towards adults with intermediate speaking skills. This is an opportunity for you to increase your vocabulary and to practice speaking French in a friendly environment. Alors, parlons français! A native of France, the club facilitator, Magali, joined the amazing ELL program at the library in 2014. Info contact: magali.denispoirier@gmail.com.

Friday Music Group, Friday, November 17, 3:00 pm, Druker Auditorium: We sing and play songs of the season, some show tunes, popular standards and favorites that you suggest. Drop-ins welcome! Info contact: Tai at liunienlung@yahoo.com.

Genealogy Club, Wednesday, November 8, 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, November 14, 7:15 pm, Room A: They will discuss *The Republic* by Plato*. In December they will discuss *A Christmas Carol* by Dickens. (*Reading is from *Great Books Foundation* publication Fifth Series, Vol. 3.) Info contact: Abra Rosenzweig at 617-964-4064.

Hooked on Books, Thursday, November 30, 7:00 pm, third floor Rear Arc: They will discuss *The Cuckoo's Calling* by Robert Galbraith. Info contact: Sara Levine at bookclub@newtonfreelibrary.net.

Memoir Writing Group, Monday, November 13, 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.

Murder by the Book Club, Thursday, November 9, 10:00 am, Room B: They will discuss *What the Dead Know* by Laura Lippman. In December it's reader's choice! Bring a favorite book to discuss. Info contact: Kathleen Hennrikus at khennrikus@minlib.net.

Playwrights Group, Tuesday, November 14, 7:00 pm, Study Room 2H behind the second floor Computer Center: 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. Info contact: Sandra Weintraub at sgweintraub@yahoo.com.

Sequences: A Women's Forum, Wednesday, November 8, 10:00 am, Trustees' Room: 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, November 13, 7:30 pm, Trustees' Room: Registration is required for newcomers. They will discuss William Faulkner's *That Evening Sun Go Down* from the internet and ZZ Packer's *Brownies* from her story collection *Drinking Coffee Elsewhere*, Riverhead Books, Penguin, New York, 2003. 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.

Tween/Teen Book Writers Group, Wednesday, November 29, 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: Laya Steinberg at lasword@rcn.com.



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Dam Removal and the Charles River



Thursday, November 9, 7:00 pm: Elisabeth Cianciola, Aquatic Scientist for the Charles River Watershed Association, will give a talk that will:

- Describe the potential benefits and challenges associated with dam removal projects
- Outline the process that dam owners and river managers use to determine the fate of a dam

The Watertown Dam (where California and Galen Streets meet) was selected as a priority project by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game's Division of Ecological Restoration (DER) in 2016. A feasibility study that would help the project team determine whether or not dam removal is appropriate for this site is currently being planned. Along the Charles River, dam removal can be a very attractive course of action in cases where they are no longer actively used because it creates a stable and resilient ecosystem that better serves wildlife and the people who live around and use the river. The program is cosponsored by the Newton Conservators.

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