



THE LIBRARY WINDOW

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Space Revitalization Coming to the Library!



Would you like the Library to have an open and welcoming space to browse new materials? How about a space to use and recharge your personal electronic devices? And what do you think about some quieter meeting rooms for small groups or personal study? These are all part of the upcoming Space Revitalization project.

Can you believe it has been over 35 years since the central section of the Library was constructed? A lot has changed since then. In our community surveys, you have told us that reading and study space, access to technology, and a welcoming atmosphere for friendly conversations are needs to keep our Library vital and responsive to the community. To enable us to make these and other needed improvements, we are pursuing a state of Connecticut grant along with donations and fundraising. This project is active and we will need your help to move it forward. More details will be rolling out over the coming months.

Have questions? Please reach out to Christine Michaud for more information on the project or how you can help. We will keep you "in the loop" as we pursue the grants and funding.



From the Director's Desk

Spring is Just Around the Corner!

Spring is a great time to get out and be creative! Check out our newest service, Creativebug, funded by PALS. Creativebug has more than 1,000 online arts and crafts classes, patterns, and inspiration, available for free with your library card. And don't forget our hundreds of arts, crafts, and gardening books to help you find your creative spark.

Spring also brings rain, flowers, and the dreaded municipal budget season. The Library staff and Board of Trustees have worked carefully to bring forward a budget request that maintains essential library collections and services while being mindful of financial constraints. We invite all residents to attend the Town of Durham Annual Budget Hearing at the Firehouse on April 13.

Have questions or concerns? Feel free to stop by my office any time

- Christine

Monthly Meet-Ups

Just drop in!

French Conversation
Circle

First Thursday of the
Month

5:30 - 6 PM

Spanish Conversation
Circle

Third Thursday of the
Month

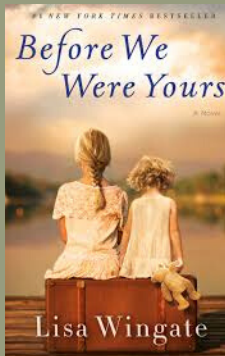
4:30-6 PM

Book Discussions

(Pick up a copy of the book at the library!)

Book Lovers'
Circle

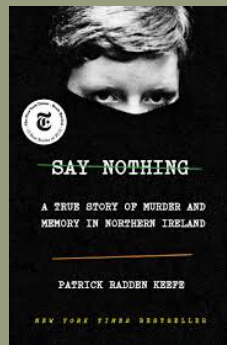
True Story! A
Nonfiction Book
Discussion



Wednesday
March 4th
7:30 pm



Wednesday
April 1st
7:30 pm



Monday
March 16th
7:30 pm

Movie Matinees

Thursdays at 1:30

Mar. 5 Downton Abbey (PG)

Mar. 12 The Good Liar (R)

Mar. 19 Ford V. Ferrari (PG-13)

Mar. 26 Motherless Brooklyn (R)

Apr. 2 Knives Out – (PG-13)

Apr. 9 Midway – (PG-13)

Apr. 16 A Beautiful Day in the
Neighborhood - PG

Apr. 23 Little Women - (PG)

Apr. 30 Bombshell – (R)

Happening at the Library

Irish Music Concert

Hailed as “joyous and fun” and a “wonderful music experience”! Join us for a concert that features a mix of classic and contemporary Irish and international folk songs and ballads sung by guitarist Paul Pender and traditional Irish music played by Irish fiddler extraordinaire Deirdre McMorrow.

March 11th 7 pm

Please Register

Leslie Bulion Launch Party!

Calling All Ages! Join us to celebrate the launch of Leslie Bulion's latest book, *Amphibian Acrobats*! Leslie will share an interactive presentation all about amphibians followed by activities for everyone. There will be snacks!

March 12th 6:30 pm

Please Register

Building Code 101

Considering a remodel, renovation, or building project?

Are you involved in local real estate or just plain curious about our town building code? Come learn the basics of residential building code taught by Durham's own Building Inspector Dick McManus. Crash course on The Residential building code. This class will cover some things you must be aware of in trying to navigate the Connecticut Residential Building Code

March 26th 7 pm

Please Register

Readers Theater

THE WILD WOMEN OF WINEDALE by Jessie Jones, Nicholas Hope, and Jamie Wooten. With honesty and hilarity, the Wild Women tell their stories about the pivotal moments that changed the direction of their lives. Written by three playwrights and performed by seven local women, this comedy is sure to entertain, amuse, and delight.

March 31st 7 pm

Please Register

Art Showcase 2020

Call for Artists

Calling all artists! Are you a photographer or artist who has a piece to share with the community? Show off your work at the Durham Public Library! We are accepting submissions of art, photography, textile, and sculpture for our Art Showcase 2020. Art will be displayed April 3-30. Register online and let us know you'll be exhibiting your favorite piece. Art must be ready to hang and is limited to one entry per person.

Community Reception

We have artists among us and you are invited to come see their work! Join us to meet our local Durham artists and learn more about their work. Refreshments will be served.

Everyone is welcome.

April 6th 7 pm

Auras with Sydney Sherman

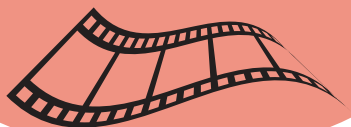
Do you know what an aura is? Have you ever wondered how our aura affects us? Paranormal author, and Aura Consultant, Sydney Sherman, has spent years researching the scientific and biological nature of auras and she will join us to explain auras and share how knowledge of auras can change our daily life.

April 16th 7 pm

Patti's Movie Recommendation

Joan of Arcadia (TV series)

Joan of Arcadia is a heartwarming family drama series which stars Amber Tamblyn as Joan and Joe Mantegna & Mary Steenburgen as her parents. Joan, a moody teenage girl, sees and talks to God, who appears disguised as ordinary people. God asks Joan to perform tasks that sometimes make her uncomfortable, like joining the school's chess club or taking AP Chemistry, but she always learns something from them and they usually end up helping the people in her life. Joan of Arcadia has always been one of my favorite TV shows. It has a great cast, intriguing storylines, and quirky characters. Hope you'll check it out!



New Arrivals



FICTION

The Numbers Game – Danielle Steel (3/3)

The Boy From the Woods – Harlan Coben (3/17)

Hit List – Stuart Woods (3/17)

The Red Lotus – Chris Bohjalian (3/17)

Revenge – James Patterson (4/7)

Walk the Wire – David Baldacci (4/21)

Masked Prey – John Sandford (4/21)

Camino Winds – John Grisham (4/28)



NON- FICTION

Rebel Cinderella: From Rags to Riches to Radical, the Epic Journey of Rose Pastor Stokes - Adam Hochschild (3/3)

The Room Where It Happened: A White House Memoir - John Bolton (3/17)

Joy at Work: Organizing Your Professional Life - Marie Kondo (4/7)

Me & Patsy Kickin Up Dust: My Friendship with Patsy Kline - Loretta Lynn (4/7)



MYSTERY

Long Range - CJ Box (3/3)

Lavender Blue Murder - Laura Childs (3/3)

Trace Elements - Donna Leon (3/3)

A Conspiracy of Bone - Kathy Reichs (3/17)

One Fatal Flower - Anne Perry (4/7)

No Fixed Line - Dana Stabenow (4/14)

Deadland - Sara Paretsky (4/21)

Have You Seen Me - Kate White (4/28)



AUDIOBOOKS

Daisy Jones and the Six - Taylor Jenkins Reid

Beijing Payback - Daniel Nieh

Crooked River - Douglas Preston & Lincoln Child

Book Woman of Troublesome Creek - Kim Michele Richardson

The Third Rainbow Girl - Emma Copley Eisenberg



MOVIES

Bombshell (R)

Dark Waters (PG-13)

Spies in Disguise (PG)

Charlie's Angels (PG -13)

Jumanji: The Next Level (PG-13)

Uncut Gems (R)

Cats (PG)

Dolittle (PG)

Little Women (PG)

Reserve your copy today!

Youth Services

Children's Programs

Registration required

Lego Club

For ages 4+

3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

6:00 PM

ABC Amigos

For grades K-3

3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31

6:30 PM

Musical Jamboree

Ages 2.5 + (siblings welcome)

4/1, 4/8, 4/22, 4/29

10:30 AM

Pasta and Meatball Workshop

Ages 6-12

3/20

5 PM

Read to Rover

15 minute time slots

4/6

4:30-5:30 PM

Mexican Food Workshop

Ages 6-12

4/20

5 PM

Just Drop In!

Mother Goose Storytime

Mondays @ 10:30 AM

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays @ 10:30 AM

Adaptive Stories and
Songs

Saturday, April 18
11 AM

Literacy Tip

Make reading a part of your daily routine. Establishing a routine helps ensure that reading is part of your daily schedule, such as at naptime and bedtime. It also creates times during the day that both of you can look forward to.

NUTMEG@NIGHT

SPRING COOKIE DECORATING

Monday, April 6th

6:30 PM

Join Kim, of Kim's Cottage Confections, to learn how to decorate cute Spring cookies!

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

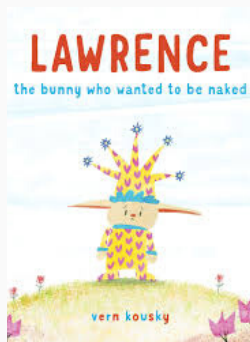
Thursday, March 26th

6 PM

Strong School

REGISTER AT YOUR SCHOOL,
DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY, OR
LEVI COE LIBRARY!

Miss Lauren Likes...



Not If I Can Help It by Carolyn Mackler

"Willie likes certain things to be certain ways." Dealing with her Sensory Processing Disorder is already a lot for fifth grader Willie, but when a big change is announced in her family, Willie must work hard to adapt. Written with insight and respect, Carolyn Mackler presents a multifaceted character dealing with the same ups and downs of life that many fifth graders face.

Not If I Can Help It is a book about an adolescent girl navigating a time of change and growing in her relationships with friends and family.

Lawrence: The Bunny Who Wanted to Be Naked by Vern Kousky

If you have ever had challenges about getting kids to wear the outfits you want them to wear, this is the book for you! Lawrence's mother picks out fancy outfits for her precious bunny to wear, but he has no interest in them. With humor that both children and adults will appreciate, Lawrence: The Bunny Who Wanted to Be Naked deals with the perennial debate over what a child should wear.

Guess What?

Books in the Children's Room have moved around. Stop in to see the wonderful new changes. The new locations allow for more space so books are not as crowded on the shelves and the Easy Readers have been put right across from the Librarians desk, so she will be able to easily offer assistance to our littlest patrons. If you are unable to find a book you are looking for, be sure to ask a librarian to help you.

New Arrivals

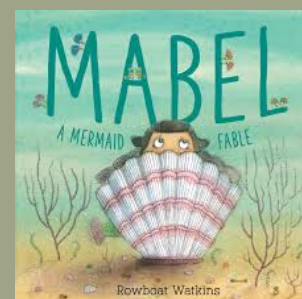
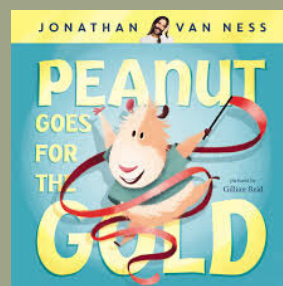
Picture Books

Fire Truck Vs. Dragon - Chris Barton

Green on Green - Dianne White

Mabel: A Mermaid Fable - Rowboat Watkins

Peanut Goes for the Gold - Jonathan Van Ness



Graphic Novels

I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912 -

Lauren Tarshis and Scott Dawson

Phoebe and Her Unicorn

#11: Camping with

Unicorns - Dana

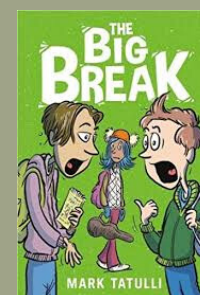
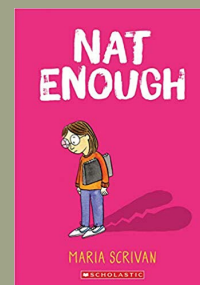
Simpson

Nat Enough - Maria

Scrivan

The Big Break - Mark

Tatulli



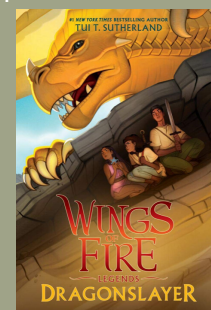
Fiction

Big Nate: Blow the Roof Off - Lincoln Peirce

The Deceivers - Margaret Peterson Haddix

Wings of Fire Legends: Dragonslayer - Tui Sutherland

Mananaland - Pam Munoz Ryan



Little Women Bookclub

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15 AT
6:30 PM

A MULTI-GENERATIONAL BOOK
DISCUSSION FOR KIDS IN
GRADES 5 - 8 WITH A PARENT
OR CARETAKER

Join us to discuss the literary classic
Little Women! We'll enjoy some
themed snacks and make a teacup
bookmark too!

REGISTER ONLINE

Different reading
levels of the book are
available!

SIOBHAN ROSE EMMA FLORENCE ELIZA LAURA THAOVIEE AND MERYL
ROSE WATSON PUGH SCANLEN DERN CHALAPET STREET

LITTLE
WOMEN

FROM GRETA GERWIG
THE WRITER AND DIRECTOR OF LADY BIRD



And then join us for a
special viewing of the
2019 Little Women
movie

Saturday, April 18 at
2:00 PM!



If you have not tried hoopla yet, you are missing out! You can instantly borrow eBooks, audiobooks, comics, movies, music and much more. All you need is your library card. Best of all, it is accessible 24/7 (there is no waiting!) Just download the hoopla app on your device to try it today.

Young Adult Programs

Unplugged Monday

Join your friends at the library for a teen lounge. We'll have games, crafts, snacks, and space to hang with your friends (and charge your phone).

Mondays

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

No registration needed; just drop in!
TAG (Teen Advisory Group)

Have thoughts on library programs?

Want a say in what services are provided for teens?

Come and join our Teen Advisory Group!

Thursday, March 19

2:30 PM

For patrons in grades 7 - 12.

Registration preferred (so we know you might be coming), but it's ok to drop-in too!

Dungeons and Dragons

Drop in and play Dungeons and Dragons!

All skill levels welcome.

No registration required

Every Wednesday

2:30 - 4 PM

Free Community College in CT

Learn more about Connecticut's new free community college program, which will launch in the Fall of 2020. Enrollment specialists from Middlesex Community College will cover the program's qualification requirements and application process.

Monday, March 16

7:00 PM



YA New Arrivals

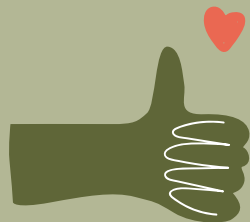


The Dark Matter of Mona Starr by Laura Lee Gullledge (graphic novel)

Deathless Divide by Justina Ireland

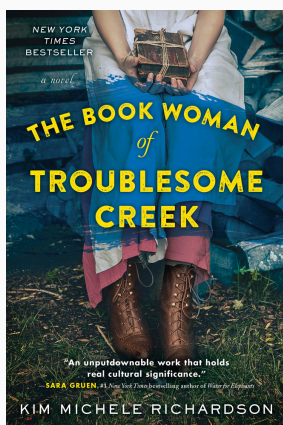
Havenfall by Sara Holland

The Kingdom of Back by Marie Lu



Staff Picks

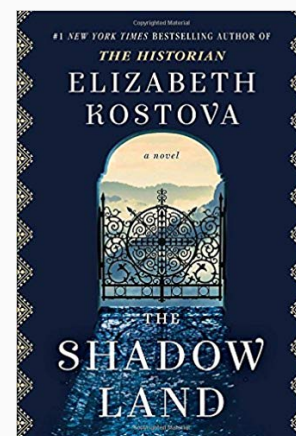
Jennifer
recommends
"The Book Woman of
Troublesome Creek"
by Kim Michele
Richardson



This book was recommended to me by my Grandmother. She told me she had known a "blue" nun. I had no idea what she was talking about. I read the book quickly, completely enthralled in the life of Cussy Carter. The story takes place in Troublesome Creek, Kentucky in 1936. Cussy (or "Bluet" as she is sometimes called) is the last living person with Methemoglobinemia (a rare genetic condition causing her blue skin). Set during the Great Depression, Cussy becomes a pack mule librarian, in effort to bring reading materials to the incredibly poor and isolated people in the backwoods of Kentucky. The historical aspect of this book was fascinating and the story line is both heart wrenching and heartwarming.

Check it out and let Jennifer know what you think!

Carol
recommends
"The Shadow Land"
by Elizabeth
Kostova



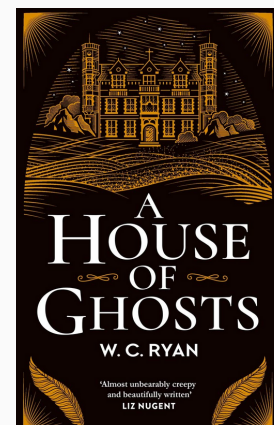
Elizabeth Kostova is by far one of my favorite authors. "The Shadow Land" is her third novel. The story starts out as a simple mystery. While the main character Alexandra Boyd is traveling in Bulgaria she takes time to help an elderly couple with their bags and ultimately finds she has accidentally kept one. After examining it, she finds an urn in the bag with someone's ashes in it. Alexandra sets out to locate the owners of the bag and this leads her on an emblematic trip into the whole hidden history of a country. Her travels take her throughout Bulgaria and put her in contact with many interesting and unusual characters. Secrets and upheavals abound at every corner of this outstanding novel. Other favorites of Elizabeth Kostova's books are the "Historian" and "The Swan Thieves"

Check it out and let Carol know what you think!

Elizabeth
recommends
"A House of Ghosts"
by W.C. Ryan

'Atmospheric' is the feel of this new Mystery by W.C. Ryan. Winter 1917- An island off the Devon coast with no way to leave. Spiritualists, soldiers and ghosts aplenty with a hero and heroine matchup for fun. Quick chapters from each characters viewpoint. Enjoy!

Check it out and let Elizabeth know what you think!



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YOU
KNOW?

Your materials automatically renew!

Any Durham Public Library item you borrow, except for Lucky Day Collection books and Express DVD's, will automatically renew for the same amount of time it was originally checked out for. If you receive email notifications from us, you will get a message letting you know your item has renewed. If you don't receive emails from us, you are always welcome to call the circulation desk and ask about your due dates. An item will not renew if someone has placed a hold on it. Items will automatically renew two times.

January / February Hours

Monday - Thursday

10 AM - 9 PM

Friday & Saturday

10 AM - 5 PM

Closings

**Library Minigolf
Fundraiser**

**Closing at 1 PM
March 7**

**Good Friday
Closed April 10**



Mr. Gym concert at the Durham Public Library



Chocolate Making with Kim Terrill at the Durham Public Library



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