



# THE LIBRARY WINDOW

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Summer reading is back at the library! Starting June 13 kids can pick up their reading logs and complete activities to earn beads. It's not just for kids though, adults and teens have their own summer bingo cards that they can fill out for the chance to win prizes. There are programs in store for all ages so stop by the library and join in on the fun!



As the days grow longer and the excitement of summer approaches, we are thrilled to announce this year's summer reading theme: Level Up at Your Library! Play is one of the ways we learn to relate to others, to think in new ways, and to foster friendships, new and old. Level Up at Your Library is an all ages summer reading program filled with ways to participate, no matter your age.

Whether you're looking to unlock new worlds through books, challenge yourself with fun activities, or attend exciting events, our program has something for everyone. It's all about leveling up--whether it's your reading skills, your imagination, or simply having fun while learning and playing.

Join us for this wonderful opportunity to enrich your summer and make lasting memories. We hope to see you at the library, reading, exploring, and growing together. Happy reading!

- Lauren



## New Arrivals



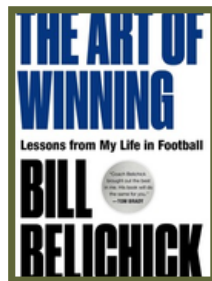
### FICTION

My Name is Emilia Del Valle - Isabel Allende  
 The River is Waiting - Wally Lamb  
 I'll Be Right Here - Amy Bloom  
 Fever Beach - Carl Hiaasen  
 Never Flinch - Stephen King  
 Don't Let Him In - Lisa Jewell  
 Atmosphere - Taylor Jenkins Reid  
 My Friends - Fredrik Backman  
 The Tenant - Freida McFadden  
 One Golden Summer - Carley Fortune  
 Dark Maestro - Brendan Slocumb  
 The Griffin Sister's Greatest Hits - Jennifer Weiner  
 25 Alive - James Patterson  
 Strangers in Time - David Baldacci  
 Say You'll Remember Me - Abby Jimenez  
 Great Big Beautiful Life - Emily Henry



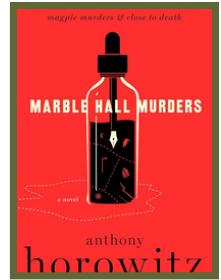
### NON-FICTION

John & Paul - Leslie Ian  
 Secrets of Adulthood - Gretchen Rubin  
 Mark Twain - Ron Chernow  
 We Can Do Hard Things - Glennon Doyle  
 The Art of Winning - Bill Belichick  
 Lorne - Susan Morrison



### MYSTERY

A Scandalous Affair - Leonard Goldberg  
 Marble Hall Murders - Anthony Horowitz  
 The Maid's Secret - Nita Prose  
 Vera Wong's Guide to Snooping (On a Dead Man) - Jesse Q. Sutanto



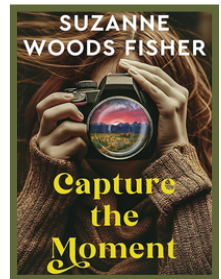
### LARGE PRINT

Nightshade - Michael Connelly  
 South of Nowhere - Jeffery Deaver  
 Overkill - J. A. Jance  
 A Mind of Her Own - Danielle Steel



### GENTLE READS

The Summer of You and Me - Denise Hunter  
 The Voice We Find - Nicole Deese  
 Capture the Moment - Suzanne Woods Fisher  
 Across the Crying Sands - Jane Kirkpatrick  
 The Code Breaker's Daughter - Amy Lynn Green



### AUDIOBOOKS

Brooke Shields is Not Allowed to Get Old - Brooke Shields  
 The Paris Express - Emma Donoghue  
 The Story She Left Behind - Patti Callahan Henry



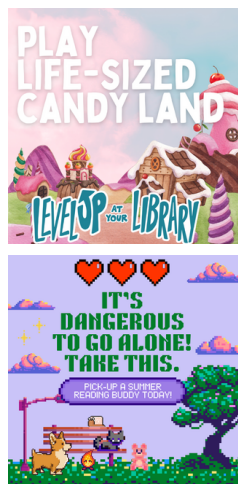
### DVDs

Abbot Elementary (Season 3)  
 Dagliesh (Season 3)  
 Lioness (Season 2)  
 Heart Eyes  
 Captain America: Brave New World  
 Mickey 17  
 Outlander (Season 7)  
 Yellowstone (Season 5, Part 2)  
 Landman (Season 1)  
 Dune: Prophecy (Season 1)

## THE KIDS CORNER

### Life-sized Candy Land

Join us for a life-sized version of the classic board game! Candy Land will be set up throughout the lower level of the library. Move from space to space, meet sweet characters, and race to the end in this fun, family-friendly experience.

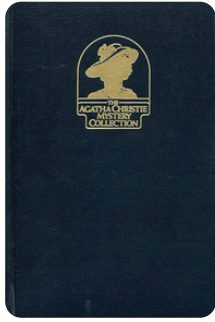


### Adopt a Summer Reading Buddy

Drop by the library between 11 AM to 8 PM from June 13 to June 21 to adopt a small stuffed animal as your Summer Reading Buddy. Pick your buddy, fill out the adoption paper, and take your new friend home! PS: they love to be read to!



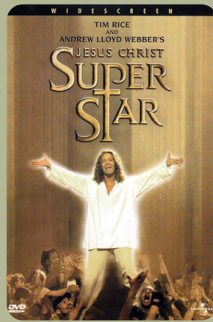
# Staff Picks



## The Moving Finger - Agatha Christie MYS CHR

Love Hercule Poirot? Try Christie's other sleuth Miss Marple. This sweet "spinster" knows human nature from life in her small village which comes in handy when solving murders. Lymstock is plagued by malicious anonymous letters that have lead to several deaths and Miss Marple is called in to find out who is responsible. Like all of Christie's books the mystery and solution are clever and well-plotted, and the inhabitants of Lymstock are a delight to get to know. Perfect for armchair sleuths looking to flex their detecting muscles!

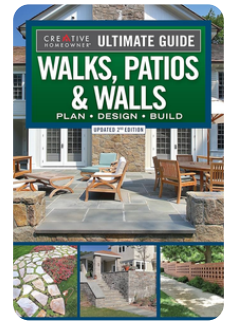
Amy



## Jesus Christ Superstar DVD JES

The Andrew Lloyd Webber classic from 1971 comes to life on-screen in this 2000 production of Jesus Christ Superstar. With all the songs that made the rock-opera famous (like "Heaven on Their Minds" and "I Don't Know How to Love Him"), the film updates the costumes and sets for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Jesus wears cargo pants and a white muscle tank; Judas glowers in the background while wearing a black leather jacket. It's an excellent adaptation of the original, perfect for the post-Easter season!

Morgan



## Ultimate Guide: Walks, Patios & Walls 624 WALKS

Inspired to upgrade your outdoor space after viewing our lovely new programming patio? If so, check out Ultimate Guide: Walks, Patios & Walls where you will learn how to create and install simple upgrades like beautiful paving stones that trail through your peaceful garden or more advanced projects such as sturdy steps and stone walls. Take notes as you read and pretty soon you will have an actionable plan that helps you build the yard of your dreams.

Tessa

## PATTI'S MUST SEE DVD

### Gladiator II



Lucius, the Prince of Rome, was sent away when he was a child for his safety. Years later, he's known as Hanno and is enslaved after the Roman army takes over his home. He is forced to fight as a gladiator at the Colosseum and ends up battling for the future of Rome.

While Gladiator II wasn't as epic as Gladiator, I still thought it was an enjoyable film. It was fun to see Connie Nielsen (Lucilla) and Derek Jacobi (Gracchus) in their original film roles from Gladiator. Denzel Washington was great as Macrinus. If you haven't seen the first film yet, be sure to watch it before seeing Gladiator III! Both movies are rated R.



# Introducing Memory Kits!

We now have memory kits! These backpack kits provide reminiscing activities for caregivers to do with those struggling with memory loss.

Some are decade-based, seasonal, and other themes like patriotic or pets. They have music, flash cards, find-it activities, crossword puzzles, and more which can help unlock some of the older memories that may be more accessible. Going to visit a relative with memory loss? Bring a memory kit with you and always have something to talk about and do!

Thank you to the Community Foundation of Middlesex County for the generous grant that allowed us to purchase these memory kits.



## Hours

Monday - Thursday

9 AM - 8 PM

Friday & Saturday

10 AM - 5 PM

## Closings

Juneteenth - June 19

Independence Day - July 4

Labor Day - August 30-

September 1

Durham Fair - September 25-27



Welcome Julie! We're excited to have Julie join our team as the new Assistant Director. She comes to us from the Wallingford Public Library so stop by and say hello!



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