Featured Events

Nicholas Dawidoff in conversation with Maya Jasanoff

Wednesday, May 4, 6:30-8 p.m. Main Library, Lecture Hall
Join Nicholas Dawidoff, the author of The Other Side of Prospect: A Story of Violence, Injustice, and the American City, in conversation with Professor Maya Jasanoff at the Main Library. Registration is required.

Barry Schneier Presents Bruce Springsteen: Rock and Roll Future.

Tuesday, May 9, 6-7:30 p.m. Main Library, Lecture Hall

Kay Redfield Jamison Presents: Fires in the Dark: Healing the Unquiet Mind

Monday, May 22, 6-8 p.m. Harvard Book Store and Cambridge Public Library
Join Kay Redfield Jamison—author and professor of psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine—for a discussion of her new book Fires in the Dark: Healing the Unquiet Mind. Kay Redfield Jamison is the Dalio Professor in Mood Disorders and a professor of psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. She is the coauthor of the standard medical text on bipolar disorder and author of An Unquiet Mind, Night Falls Fast, Exuberance, and Touched with Fire. Her book, Robert Lowell: Setting the River on Fire, was a Pulitzer Prize finalist. Registration is required.

Portuguese Poetry in Translation: Adam Mahler on Camilo Pessanha.

Wednesday, May 24, 6-7:30 p.m. Community Room, Valente Branch
Join us for a discussion and reading of Camilo Pessanha’s poetry by the translator Adam Mahler, in conversation with Bruno Carvalho. Camilo Pessanha (1867—1926), the author of Clepsydra, an enigmatic collection of poems, was a key figure in Portuguese modernism, emulated and admired by writers like Fernando Pessoa.

Author Events

Mitchell Zuckoff in Conversation with Homeira Qaderi.

Wednesday, May 10, 6-7:30 p.m. Main Library, Lecture Hall
Join Mitchell Zuckoff, the author of The Secret Gate: A True Story of Courage and Sacrifice During the Collapse of Afghanistan, in conversation with writer, activist, educator, and recipient of the Malalai Medal, Homeira Qaderi. Registration is required.

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SERVICE ALERT
All Library locations will be closed on Sunday, May 28 and Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.

VIRTUAL Virtual event. IN-PERSON In-person event. HYBRID In-person event with option to attend virtually.
Exhibitions

Symbolism and Subversion: An Exhibition of Jennifer Regan’s Stitched Narratives, on display May 2 – July 31, Lobby & Second Floor, Main Library

On view at the Main Library is Symbolism and Subversion: An Exhibition of Jennifer Regan’s Stitched Narratives. Regan renegotiates traditional quilt making themes through a feminist lens and finds the city of Cambridge as her inspiration. Opening Reception

May 11, 2023, 6:30-8 p.m. Cambridge Room, Main Library

Join us for an opening reception to celebrate the Library’s acquisition and exhibition of Jennifer Regan’s stitched narratives. Quilting expert Pamela Weeks and educator Jane Regan will discuss the rise of art quilts and Jennifer Regan’s role in the movement. Registration is required.

Workshops

Main Library

Workshops for Older Adults 55+

Wellness for Seniors: Meditation IN-PERSON

Mondays, May 1, 8, 15, 10-11 a.m. Community Room

Join us for guided meditations focused on the breath and body, to foster loving connections with the world. You will leave class knowing how to meditate on your own. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. Registration is required for each session.

Wellness for Seniors: Combo Dance Fitness & Let Your Yoga Dance® VIRTUAL

Mondays, 11-11:45 a.m.
Curious George Room

Join us for this fun, dynamic, and ultimately blissful combo. We start with some high-energy, low-impact dance fitness, then work our way through the seven energy centers (chakras) with Let Your Yoga Dance. You will leave with a good workout and a peaceful, happy mind/body/spirit. It’s good for everybody! Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. Registration is required for each session.

Navigating Solo: The Unique Needs of Solo Agers VIRTUAL

Every other Tuesday, May 2 through June 27, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Join us for this 5-session workshop series exploring the needs of solo agers (adults who, because of choice or circumstance, are without the family support structure of adult children or close family members). Ailene Gerhardt, Board Certified Patient Advocate, will explore the unique considerations and planning needs of solo agers related to healthcare and community and discuss the programs and resources available to support solo agers.

May 2: Planning Tools for Aging Well
May 16: Health Care Decision-Making & The Value of Advance Care Planning.
June 27: Bringing It All Together & Developing an Organized Solo Aging Plan.

Presented as part of the Cambridge Public Library’s Active Older Adults Lecture and Workshop Series in partnership with Cambridge Neighbors. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. Registration is required for each session.

Creative Aging: Storytelling: Planting Seeds, Growing Community IN-PERSON

Tuesdays, May 9 - June 27, 2-4 p.m. Community Room

Join us for this 8-week workshop where we will use storytelling, photographs, objects arts, and games to grow our stories to create community. Due to the popularity and to gain the most out of this program, we expect all participants to commit to all sessions in this 8-week course. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. Registration is required.
Healthy Hearing
Wednesday, May 31, 12:30-1:45 p.m.
Join us for a presentation and Q&A on healthy hearing with clinical audiologists from the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. We will share experiences and knowledge on hearing loss in older adults and raise awareness of the potential adverse social, mental, and neurological impacts of hearing impairment when hearing loss is untreated. Presented as part of the Cambridge Public Library’s Active Older Adults Lecture and Workshop Series, in partnership with the Cambridge Council on Aging and the Living Well Network. Registration is required.

Read It! Watch It! Book & Movie Group
IN-PERSON
Monday, May 15, 6-9 p.m. May selection: The Maltese Falcon by Dashiell Hammett

Contemporary Book Group
HYBRID
Tuesday, May 16, 6-7 p.m. May selection: The Violin Conspiracy by Brendan Slocumb

O'Connell Branch Book Group
IN-PERSON
Tuesday, May 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. May selection: Ordinary Grace by William Kent Kreuger

Boudreau Branch
Boudreau Branch Book Group HYBRID
Wednesday, May 10, 12-1 p.m. May selection: The Island of Missing Trees by Elif Shafak

Boudreau Branch Mystery Book Group HYBRID
Tuesday, May 23, 12-1 p.m. May selection: Slow Horses by Mick Herron

Collins Branch
Collins Branch Book Group
Tuesday, May 23, 6-7 p.m. May selection: The Noise of Time by Julian Barnes

O'Neill Branch
O'Neill Branch Book Group
Monday, May 8, 6:30-8 p.m. May selection: Eat a Peach by David Chang

Main Library
Great Books Book Group HYBRID
Tuesday, May 2, 7:15-9 p.m. This week’s selection: John Cheever, Selected Stories

Science Fiction and Fantasy Book Group
Wednesday, May 10, 6-7 p.m. HYBRID
May selection: The Change by Kirsten Miller

Brewery Book Club (Lamplighter)
Wednesday, May 10, 7-8:30 p.m., Lamplighter Brewing Co., 284 Broadway
You're invited to our May brewery book club, where Lamplighter and the Cambridge Public Library team up to highlight contemporary works from marginalized voices while having a beer. This month, we’ll read How High We Go in the Dark by Sequoia Nagamatsu. Join us at the Lamplighter back taproom.
Regular Programs for Children and Families

**O’Connell Branch**

*Magic Tree House Book Group* (HYBRID)
Friday, May 5, 4-5 p.m. May selection: *Tonight on the Titanic*. Ages 5-10.

*Kids’ Classic Fantasy Book Group* (HYBRID)

*Graphics Are Great! Book Group* (HYBRID)
Tuesday, May 23, 4-5 p.m. May selection: *Real Friends* by Shannon Hale and LeUyen Pham. Ages 8-12.

**O’Neill Branch**

*Chapter Chat* Monday, May 1, 4:30-5:30 p.m. May selection: *The Moffats* by Eleanor Estes. Ages 7-10.


**Central Square Branch**

*Story Time* Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 10:30-11 a.m.
*After School Stories and Crafts* Wednesdays, 4-5 p.m.
*Twilight Stories and Songs* Thursdays, 5:30-6 p.m.

**Collins Branch**

*Story Times* Tuesdays, 10:30-11 a.m., and Wednesdays, 3:30-4 p.m.

**Main Library**

*Baby Lapsit* Mondays, 10-10:20 a.m., Rey Room
*Morning Sing-Along* Monday and Wednesdays, 11-11:25 a.m., Curious George Room
*LEGO Time* Mondays, 4-4:45 p.m., Curious George Room
*Toddler Story Time* Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11-11:25 a.m., Rey Room
*Preschool Story Time* Tuesdays, 4-4:25 p.m., Rey Room
*Afternoon Sing-Along* Thursdays, 4-4:25 p.m., Curious George Room

**O’Connell Branch**

*Preschool Story Time*, Thursdays, 3:30-4 p.m.
*Toddler Story Time*, Fridays, 11-11:30 a.m.
*Evening Family Story Time*, Wednesday, May 31, 6:30-7 p.m.

**O’Neill Branch**

*Sing-Along* Mondays, 10:30-10:50 a.m.
*Pajama Story Time* Tuesday, May 30, 6:45-7:30 p.m.
*Story Time* Thursdays, 11-11:30 a.m.
*Afternoon Games*, Thursdays, 3-5 p.m.
*Saturday Songs and Stories* Saturday, May 20, 3:30-4 p.m.

**Valente**

*Songs and Stories* Tuesdays, 11-11:25 a.m.
*Story Time* Thursdays, 11-11:25 a.m.
More Events

Main Library

Celebrating Mental Health Awareness Month and Physical Activity Month

In recognition of Mental Health Month and Physical Activity month, this May the Cambridge Public Health Department in collaboration with the Cambridge Public Library is sponsoring the “Read, Breathe, Stretch” campaign. Try out easy poses while you’re sitting at the library (charts at Q&A desk). Moving your body supports both physical and mental well-being. So, whether you’re at the library to enjoy some leisurely reading or studying, sneak in some easy movement. It’s good for your mind and your body!

Housed in Cambridge Drop-in Hours

Monday, May 8, 5:30- 8 p.m.
Community Room
Do you have a question related to housing? Do you want to learn more about affordable rental opportunities? Need help navigating financial assistance programs for housing? Looking for advice about housing rights? Join us in the Community Room at the Main Library for a one-on-one confidential appointment with housing advocates and case workers from across City departments and other organizations.

Fire Truck Visit

Tuesday, May 9, 10-11 a.m.
Joan Lorentz Park
Join the Cambridge Public Library, the Cambridge Fire Department and The Home-Based Early Childhood Program as a fire truck comes to park outside the Main Library! We’ll gather and sing a few songs, followed by time to meet firefighters, and explore the truck. In the event of inclement weather, this event will be held the following Tuesday, May 16 at 10 a.m.

Cooking Concepts Series: Cajun Cooking Workshop

Thursday, May 11, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Café Area, first floor
Join Chef Anthony from the Cambridge School of Culinary Arts as he demonstrates the technique of making a Cajun roux and spice mix. This is the foundation of making gumbo, a traditional Cajun dish. Participants will take home a sample of rice, roux, and spices. Registration is required.

Dinoman

Saturday, May 20, 2023, 11-12 p.m.
Lecture Hall
With magic, merry mayhem, and magnificent inflatable dinosaurs, Dinoman will take you on a trip throughout the Mesozoic Era. Recommended for children ages 4 and up and their caregivers.

Sit ‘n’ Knit

Tuesdays, 2:30-3:30 p.m. Rossi Room
Bring your project and enjoy the company of other fiber crafters. Drop-in with this informal group to work on your craft, get inspired, pick-up skills and socialize. Knit, embroider, crochet, spin, mend and mend. Refreshments will be provided.

Puzzle Party

Thursdays, 2-3:30 p.m. Rossi Room
Join our librarians for tea, cookies and a jigsaw puzzle. An hour of fun and conversation on a Thursday afternoon.

Get Creative! Series: Linocut Printmaking

Wednesday, May 10, 2-4 p.m. Community Room
This class will cover techniques in carving linoleum, composition, ink mixing and printing. Students will learn how to create a design and carve it in linoleum using tools, and how to ink and print their linoleum blocks by hand. Materials will be provided. Registration is required.

Get Creative! Series: Bookmaking

Wednesday, May 17, 2-3:30 p.m. Rossi Room
Are you interested in making your very own journal/book? Come join us and learn from Faith Hale on Creativebug! Materials will be provided. Registration is required.

Yoga Nidra

Wednesday, May 10, 6:30-8 p.m. Community Room
Join us for Yoga Nidra. Deep relaxation for stress relief. Suitable for all levels, no yoga or meditation experience required. Please bring a yoga mat, wear comfortable clothes, and bring any props that will make you comfortable while lying on the floor – blanket, bolster, eye pillow, etc. Registration is required.
Qi Gong with Sunling Liew  IN-PERSON
Saturdays in May, beginning Saturday May 6, from 10-11:30 a.m. Joan Lorentz Park
Join us at Joan Lorentz Park every Saturday in May to learn and practice five Qi Gong exercises. Falun Dafa Qi Gong is a traditional Chinese mind-body practice that consists of five easy-to-learn exercises and meditation. It is guided by the principles of truthfulness, compassion, and forbearance. The practice components include four gentle, standing exercises, along with a peaceful sitting meditation.
Sunling Liew, the instructor, retired from Boston Public Schools recently after 32 years. Sunling teaches Qi Gong in various public libraries, senior centers, and schools in the area. Registration is required.

Free Drop-In Tutoring for Teens  IN-PERSON
Wednesdays, 5-6 p.m., Teen Room
Need help with a class? Have a question before an exam? Tutors are available to help you! Cambridge School Volunteers and the Cambridge Public Library are pleased to offer tutoring services in the Teen Room of the Main Library.

Know Your Rights Clinic for Teens  IN-PERSON
Thursday, May 18, 3:30-5 p.m., Community Room
Calling all teens – get educated and empowered about your rights! Come learn from a local attorney with the National Lawyers Guild about what to do if you are ever confronted by law enforcement.

Teen Advisory Board Meeting  IN-PERSON
Tuesday, May 30, 4-5 p.m., Teen Room
Teens! Help us plan teen programming at the Library! Earn community service hours! Enjoy free snacks! We meet monthly during the school year. No registration required. Stop by the Teen Room or call 617-349-4027 to learn more.

Woof Wellness with Therapy Dogs  IN-PERSON
Saturday, May 20, 12-2 p.m. Community Room
In honor of Mental Health Awareness Month, the Office of Mayor Siddiqui in Cambridge Public Library are collaborating to offer community members a wellness events with the opportunity to de-stress with therapy animals. The event is scheduled for Saturday May 20, from 12-2 p.m. at the Cambridge Public Library’s Main Branch in the Community Room. Registration is required.

Cambridge Public Library International Briefing: The Situation in Sudan with Alex DeWaal  VIRTUAL
Tuesday, May 16, 12-1:30 p.m.
Recent political violence in Sudan has claimed the lives of many civilians. Join Alex de Waal on Tuesday, May 16 at 12 p.m. for a Cambridge Public Library International Briefing on the Situation in Sudan. De Waal, widely known as the foremost expert on Sudan, is the executive director of the World Peace Foundation and the author of The Real Politics of the Horn of Africa. This event will take place on zoom. Registration is required.

Boudreau Branch
Read to a Dog  IN-PERSON
Thursday, May 11, 3-4 p.m.
Read with Ana the Therapy Dog! Therapy dogs provide warm and non-judgmental reading companions for new or experienced readers of all ages. Registration for each ten-minute time slot is required. Sign up on the day of the program by phone or in person at the Boudreau Branch, call 617-349-4017.

Knitting Group  IN-PERSON
Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Bring your project, yarn, and needles to enjoy an hour in the company of other crafters.

Hive Drop-In Event: Sticker Making  IN-PERSON
Monday, May 15, 6-8 p.m.
Kids (ages 10+), teens and adults are invited to this Drop-In Hive event at Boudreau Branch Library. Learn how to use the Cricut smart cutting machine to design, print, and cut your own customized stickers!

One-on-One Tech Help by Appointment  IN-PERSON
Wednesday, May 10 and May 24, 4-4:45 p.m.
Would you like help navigating the library’s e-resources like Libby or Hoopla? Or maybe you need some basic computer or mobile device guidance? Book a free one-on-one tech help session at the Boudreau branch: Downloading library eBooks, audiobooks, and magazines to your tablet, smartphone, or laptop, navigating databases and other library resources such as LinkedIn Learning, using the Internet and e-mail, setting up devices like smartphones or streaming devices, and much more. Scheduled sessions run between 30 min to 45 min. Please bring your device, cords, and any necessary account information. Contact the Boudreau Branch at 617-349-4017 with questions about this program.
**O'Neill Branch**

**Family STEAM Night** **IN-PERSON**
Tuesday, May 9, 6:30-7:15 p.m.
Families with elementary school age children join us for hands-on activities focused on Science, Technology, Arts, Engineering, and Math. Adults and children will learn and play together! May’s project will revolve around spring planting!

**Creative Build** **IN-PERSON**
Wednesday, May 10, 2-4 p.m.
Join in on creative building fun with K’nex and Gears! All building materials are supplied by the Library. Please note that some building pieces are choking hazards for young children. For children ages 5 and up and their caregivers

**Break a Guinness World Record** **IN-PERSON**
Wednesday, May 17, 1-3 p.m.
Join us at the O’Neill Branch Library to try and break a Guinness World Record! Bring your friends, family, or just yourself! Light snacks will be provided. Recommended for ages 6 and up. This month we’ll attempt to break the world record for the farthest paper airplane throw! Lazar Krstić currently holds the Guinness World Record with a throw of 200 feet 5 inches in Salzburg, Austria, in May 2022. Questions? Call the O’Neill Branch Library at 617-349-4023.

**Read to a Dog** **IN-PERSON**
Tuesday, May 11, 3-4 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24, 3-4 p.m.
Read with a cuddly friend! Trained therapy dogs provide warm and non-judgmental reading companions for new or experienced readers up to age 14. Registration for each 10-minute time slot is required and begins on Wednesday May 17 by calling or visiting the O’Neill Branch at 617-349-4023.

**Cambridge Young Authors Squad** **IN-PERSON**
Friday, May 12, and May 26, 4-5 p.m.
Young people ages 10 to 14 who love to write are welcome to share their ideas and writing. There will be time for share-outs/workshopping, as well as group or solo writing. Snacks are provided! Registration is helpful, but not required.

**Crafting Corner** **IN-PERSON**
Saturdays, 1:30-3 p.m.
Fiber arts crafters of all skill levels are welcome to drop in for companionable crafting! Bring your current work in progress, and enjoy tea, snacks, and conversation with other crafters. Chat, share tips, and maybe even inspire others.
Poop for Breakfast IN-PERSON
Saturday, May 13, 2-4 p.m.
Sara Levine presents her new children's non-fiction book: *Poop for Breakfast: Why Some Animals Eat It* (Lerner Publishing Group, 2023). Children and their caregivers can join us for a story time and fun activity about the digestive system.

Saturday Screens IN-PERSON
Saturday, May 27, 3-4:45 p.m.
Join us on the last Saturday of the month for family movies at the Library! The May film will be *Puss in Boots: The Last Wish* (Universal Pictures, 2022), rated PG, running time 100 mins.

Bike Maintenance Basics IN-PERSON
Saturday, May 20, 2:30-3:30 p.m.
Learn the basics of caring for your bike! Join Tenzin Choephel from the Cambridge Community Development Department and learn the basics of bike maintenance, including:
- The anatomy of the bike
- Removing wheels
- Fixing flats
- Chain Maintenance
- Pre-Ride check
- Seat height
- Portable tool kit
- Keeping your bike healthy with preventative bike maintenance

You do not need to bring a bike. No registration required.
For more information, please contact the O’Neill Branch at 617-349-4023.

**Library Locations/Phone/Hours**

**Main Library**
449 Broadway | 617-349-4040
MON 9-9, TUE 9-9, WED 9-9, THU 9-9, FRI 9-5, SAT 9-5, SUN 1-5 (SEP-JUNE ONLY)

**Boudreau Branch**
245 Concord Ave. | 617-349-4017
MON 10-8, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-6, FRI 10-6

**Central Square Branch**
45 Pearl St. | 617-349-4010
MON 10-6, TUE 10-6, WED 10-6, THU 10-9, FRI 10-6

**Collins Branch**
64 Aberdeen Ave. | 617-349-4021
MON 10-6, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-8, FRI 10-6

**O’Connell Branch**
48 Sixth St. | 617-349-4019
MON 10-6, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-8, FRI 10-6

**O’Neill Branch**
70 Rindge Ave. | 617-349-4023
MON 10-8, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-6, FRI 10-6, SAT 1-5

**Valente Branch**
826 Cambridge St. | 617-349-4015
MON 10-8, TUE 10-8, WED 10-8, THU 10-6, FRI 10-6, SAT 1-5

All locations are accessible by public transportation. Details are on our website.

**Literacy Center Programs**

There are four levels of classes:
- Low Beginner, High Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced

**ESOL at the Valente Branch** IN-PERSON
Mondays, 6-7 p.m.
Valente Branch

**English Conversation** IN-PERSON
Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m.
Main Library, Rossi Room

**Beginner ESOL** IN-PERSON
Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
Central Square Branch

**High Beginner ESOL** IN-PERSON
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1-2:30 p.m.
Central Square Branch

**Intermediate ESOL** IN-PERSON
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Central Square Branch

**Advanced ESOL** IN-PERSON
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3-4:30 p.m.
Central Square Branch

**Résumé and Job Application Support** IN-PERSON
Wednesday, 1-3 p.m.
Central Square Branch

**English Conversation** IN-PERSON
Fridays, 10-11:30 a.m.
O’Neill Branch
Cambridge Youth Gamelan Orchestra  
**Saturday, June 17, 2:30-4:30 p.m.**  
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Join the Cambridge Youth Gamelan as we celebrate the end of our 5th anniversary season! In this performance, you will hear traditional Balinese music performed on the gamelan gong kebyar, one of the most popular ensembles in Bali. You will learn how the music is arranged in complex rhythmic and melodic layers and how the musicians learn to play. At the end of the performance, audience members will be invited onto the stage to try out the instruments and learn a short piece of music together. Cosponsored by Cambridge Public Library.

Park Sounds: Jazz Poetics Featuring the Joel Larue Smith Quartet  
**Saturday, June 24, from 1-3 p.m., Main Library, Joan Lorentz Park**

Moving seamlessly between the constellations of jazz styles and the rich and varied literature of the classical masters, Joel LaRue Smith is one of those rare and gifted pianists who have never had to choose between these two musical worlds, because for him they are not separate. Join the Joel Larue Smith Quartet at Joan Lorentz Park at the Main Library. In the case of inclement weather, this performance will be moved to the Lecture Hall. Sponsored by the Friends of the Cambridge Public Library.

Ilyon Woo Presents Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom  
**Wednesday, June 21, 6-7:30 p.m., Main Library, Lecture Hall**

Join the New York Times bestselling author Ilyon Woo for a discussion of her new book *Master Slave Husband Wife: An Epic Journey from Slavery to Freedom*. Woo is also the author of *The Great Divorce: A Nineteenth-Century Mother’s Extraordinary Fight Against Her Husband, the Shakers, and Her Times*. She has written for *The Boston Globe*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and *Time Magazine*, and she has received support for her research from the Whiting Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities, among other organizations. She holds a BA in the Humanities from Yale College and a PhD in English from Columbia University.

Welcome to the state-of-the-art makerspace located at the Main Library! It is a hub for STEAM learning, creativity, and community collaboration in Cambridge. Its mission is to provide free, hands-on learning opportunities to the Cambridge community, resources for personal projects, and to serve as a hub for skill sharing and creative collaboration.

The Hive is open to individuals with a Minuteman library card. The space is designed for independent use for patrons ages 12 and up and supervised use for children under the age of 12.
STEAM Workshops for May 2023

All participants must complete the Hive Safety Training before attending STEAM Workshops.

3D Printing 101 - Game Piece Design: IN-PERSON
Learn how to create your favorite game piece in digital space and print it out using our Sindoh 3D printers. You will get hands-on experience running the 3D printer, gain fundamental 3D modeling skills using Tinkercad, and earn your 3D Printing badge for future reservations in The Hive. Before taking this workshop, you must create a free Tinkercad account at www.tinkercad.com before arriving for the course. Parents may need to assist users under the age of 18 to create a Tinkercad account. View The Hive’s workshop schedule here.

Equipment and Studio Reservations: IN-PERSON
Anyone who has completed Hive training and is badged to use equipment or studio(s) can reserve Hive equipment or studio spaces during these times. Staff will assist participants as they are able.

Fiber Arts Adventure with Lenni: A Machine Sewing Workshop IN-PERSON
Continue building your machine-sewing skills AND create bespoke sewn crafts! Design your own fiber arts adventure as you make dinner napkins, high-visibility patches for being seen at night, and customized wearable Hive-made creations.

Vinyl Cutting 101: IN-PERSON
Would you like to make your own vinyl signs, stickers, or images to transfer to T-shirts and other textiles? In this workshop, you can learn how to use our Roland Camm-1 GS-24 vinyl cutter. You can then design a sticker and cut it with our vinyl cutter! Registration is required.

Sewing 101: IN-PERSON
Learn the basics of sewing machine operation and safety. This session will cover machine setup, basic functions, threading the machine, reloading the bobbin, sewing straight stitches, and recognizing when stitch tension has gone awry.

Glowforge 101: Creative Laser Cutting IN-PERSON
Learn how to cut, engrave, and shape designs from a variety of materials using the Glowforge Pro laser cutter in this two-part series.

Videography 101: IN-PERSON
Step into the Hive’s state-of-the-art recording studio and film a short video of yourself in front of our green screen. Then, spend some time becoming familiar with video editing software while working with your footage.

XR Lab 101: IN-PERSON
Extended reality (XR) opens the door to worlds and experiences outside the everyday through virtual reality, augmented reality, and mixed reality equipment. Test drive our Microsoft HoloLens augmented reality glasses, Structure Sensor 3D scanner, Merge headsets, and more.

Serger 101: IN-PERSON
Are you an intermediate or advanced sewer? This workshop will cover serger machine setup, threading a serger, and identifying correct tension settings with different types of fabric. You will learn about ways to use our Elna Extend 864 Air serger to take your sewing skills to the next level by producing special finishing styles, hemming, trimming, and assembling your garments.

Studio Recording 101: IN-PERSON
Are you interested in podcasting, audio production, or video production? The Hive has two state-of-the-art recording studios! Join this workshop to become familiar with studio equipment and software. Registration is required.

Zing Laser Cutting 101: IN-PERSON
Learn how to use our Epilog Zing — an industry-standard laser cutting machine. Complete this workshop to earn a badge for the Zing laser cutter.

Hive Safety Training: HYBRID
You will learn about our makerspace, how to use our resources, and how to keep safe in The Hive.
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The week of April 23–29, 2023 is National Library Week, a national observance sponsored by the American Library Association and libraries across the country each April, to celebrate the contributions of our nation's libraries, and librarians, and to promote library use and support; and

The theme of National Library Week 2023 is “There’s More to the Story”; and

This theme speaks to the range of services, resources, and programs that libraries provide their communities; and

Libraries are full of stories in a variety of formats from picture books to large print, audiobooks to eBooks, local history through archives; Library programming brings communities together for entertainment, education, and connection through book clubs, story times, wellness classes, and crafting workshops; Library infrastructure advances communities by providing internet and technology access, reading literacy, STEM skills, and support for youth, adults, job seekers and entrepreneurs; and

Public libraries are a center of civic life in their communities, offering information, resources, and programs to provide residents with the tools to improve their lives; and

Public libraries promote the free exchange of information and ideas for all, serving as a cornerstone of democracy, a bulwark against inequality, and as a critical resource in the empowerment of communities; and

Libraries and librarians build strong communities through transformative services, programs, and expertise; and

The success of public libraries across the country is sustained by the hard work of librarians, who are the Library's greatest asset; and

Libraries are a resource for all members of the community regardless of race, ethnicity, creed, ability, sexual orientation, gender identity or socio-economic status, by offering services and educational resources that transform lives and strengthen communities; now therefore be it

That the City Council go on record thanking the Cambridge Public Library team and encouraging Cambridge residents to participate in programs and events celebrating National Library Week; be it further

That the City Clerk be and is hereby requested to send a suitable engrossed copy of this resolution to Cambridge Public Library staff on behalf of the entire council.