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May 2019



EVENTS *at the* CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY



CPL International Briefing: China in the Developing World with Sulmaan Khan

Thursday, May 2, 6:30 pm
Main Library, Lecture Hall

One Belt, One Road, the trade war, Sino-American relations, the liberal world order. These are issues that dominate the headlines. But they are part of a longer, deeper story: that of great power struggle for mastery of the Pacific. Restoring the Pacific to center-stage in world affairs, Sulmaan Wasif Khan recasts our understanding of the twentieth century – and of where we are and where we might be going in the twenty-first.



Horizons Lecture with David Kaye

Monday, May 20, 6:30 pm
Main Library, Lecture Hall

UN Special Rapporteur on Free Expression David Kaye will be discussing the issues raised in his new book *Speech Police: The Global Struggle to Govern the Internet*. The internet was designed to be a kind of free-speech paradise, but a lot of the material on it turned out to incite violence, spread untruth, and promote hate. What should be done about this enormous problem? Register here: bit.ly/cplhorizons4

Presented as part of Horizons: Exploring Breakthroughs in Science & Technology and Their Impact on Society, a lecture series of the STEAM Initiative at the CPL.



Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month Keynote: Ying Wang

Thursday, May 23, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Join us for a commemoration of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with Ying Wang, Assistant Vice President and Associate Counsel at State Street Bank & Trust Company, Judge Advocate General (JAG) Officer in the U.S. Army Reserves, and a member of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Asian American Commission.



The Arts & Crafts Houses of Massachusetts with Heli Melstner

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

At the opening of the twentieth century, Massachusetts architects tried to create an authentic new look that will reflect the increasingly informal lives of their clients. Inspired by the Arts and Craft movement in England, the result was a charming style that proved especially appropriate for the rapidly expanding suburbs and vacation houses in the state. Meticulously researched with abundant color photographs, Melstner's is the only work focusing on the state's Arts and Craft domestic architecture and the only one to include an illustrated field.



Poetry Awards Ceremony

Wednesday, May 22, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Join us to hear the K-8th grade winning poems from of the 21st Annual Cambridge Public Library Poetry Contest.



Stringed Theory: Violin

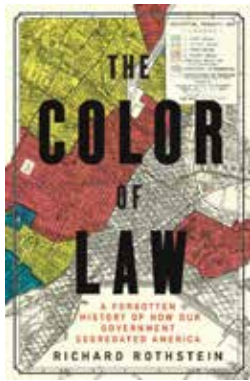
Tuesday, May 28, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Join the Cambridge Public Library and musicians Liubomyr Senyshyn and Maria Gorkun for the grand finale of our Stringed Theory series, this month exploring the violin. Gorkun and Senyshyn, both born in Ukraine and both students of Mark Lakirovich at the Longy School of Music, will explore repertoire for violin duet as well as violin and viola duet. Together they will share highlights of the great masters and introduce us to contemporary composers.

All Library Locations will be closed on Monday, May 27 for Memorial Day



These symbols indicate that the program is part of the STEAM Initiative at the CPL



Affordable Housing Book Discussion

Wednesday, May 15, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Join the Cambridge Public Library and the Cambridge Community Development Department for a discussion of *The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How our Government Segregated America*.



Poetry Workshop with Ashley Gong

Monday, May 13, 6:00–8:00PM
Main Library, Rindge Room

Join the Cambridge Public Library for a poetry workshop led by Ashley Gong, a 2014 National Student Poet selected by

President Obama's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities. The workshop seeks to help participants share their own stories—whether seemingly mundane or life-changing—through poetry. Participants of any age or experience level are welcome.



Learning Circle: Graphic Design with Canva

Mondays, May 6 and 13,
6:30-8:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

In this Learning Circle, we will learn how to use Canva, an online graphic design tool that allows users to customize professionally designed layouts or create their own designs from scratch, for use in posters, presentations, infographics, social media, business cards, and much more. To register, please email Susannah at sbtkaz@cambridgema.gov



Learning Circle: Foundations of Drawing

Mondays
May 20, June 3, 10, and 17
6:00-7:30 PM

Main Library, Rossi Room

Join a Learning Circle—a study group for learners who want to complete online courses together, in-person. Courses are peer-supported and will be facilitated by a librarian. Registration is required and you must attend the first meeting as this 4-week course is cumulative. In this Learning Circle we will explore the foundations of drawing. We will learn about drawing materials, basic drawing techniques, and seeing the world as an artist. To register, email Craig Smith at crsmith@cambridgema.gov



Grow Native: A Grassland Restoration Tale of Weeds, Wildlife, and Renewal

Wednesday, May 1, 7:00 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Restoring weed-dominated habitats is a complex process, and even more so in public landscapes with diverse constituencies. Come learn how Larry Weaner Landscape Associates negotiated these challenges in their restoration plan for a 100-acre grassland at Croton Point Park in New York. Located atop a capped landfill, this site provides vital habitat for imperiled bird species. Jenna Webster and her team sought stakeholder input, utilized scientific research, and synthesized crowd-sourced ecological data, to create a thoughtful restoration plan now under construction. Jenna Webster is co-curator of the New Directions in the American Landscape Conference, and teaches ecological design at Mt. Cuba Center in Delaware.



Fiber Matters!

Tuesday, May 28, 11:00 AM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Hear from Nicola McKeown, Ph.D on the importance of fiber. The right amount of dietary fiber in your diet helps reduce cholesterol, controls weight, lowers risk of some cancers and can reduce inflammation. This program is presented in partnership with Cambridge Neighbors.



What's Not to Love?

Wednesday, May 29, 6:30 PM | Main Library, Teen Room

Critically acclaimed and bestselling YA authors Maurene Goo, Sara Farizan, and Katie Cutogno come together for a bookish event to discuss their YA books, romantic comedies, and the everlasting bonds of friendship they've formed in the YA community.

Teen Advisory Board

Monday, May 13, 5:00 PM | Main Library, Rossi Room

Children's Room



Stand Up! Storytime for Social Justice

Wednesday, May 1, 4:00 PM
Main Library, Children's Room

Join as we read stories featuring families of all shapes and sizes. Recommended ages 4-8.



Radius Ensemble: Peter and the Wolf and other Animals

Saturday, May 11, 10:30 AM
Main Library
Curious George Room

Join us for a free family concert.

Half Day Hangout

Wednesday, May 15, 1:30-4:00 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Create a moon print, then work on your moon tan during a screening of *Hotel Transylvania 3*.

MAIN LIBRARY *

Movies for Littles
Saturdays, 11:30 AM

Baby Lapsit %
Mondays, 10:00 AM

Sing-Along #
Mondays & Wednesdays,
11:00 AM
& Thursdays, 4:00 PM

Afterschool LEGO® Time %
Mondays, 4:00 PM

Toddler Storytime ^
Tuesdays & Thursdays,
11:00 AM

Preschool Storytime ^
Tuesdays, 4:00 PM

Onesies (and Twosies) %
Wednesdays, 10:00 AM

Parent/Child Book Group

Tuesday, May 14, 6:00 PM
For ages 7-10

Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 PM
For ages 10-13

Main Library
Curious George Room

BOUDREAU BRANCH

Storytime
Mondays, 10:30 AM

Sing-Along
Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

CENTRAL SQ. BRANCH

Afterschool Crafts
Wednesdays, 4:00 PM

Storytime
Wednesdays, 10:30 AM

Sing-Along & Storytime
Thursdays, 10:30 AM



Star Gazing at the Library

Saturday, May 11, 7:30 PM
Main Library, Joan Lorentz Park

Come explore the night sky with the Cambridge Public Library. We'll have a telescope from the Physics Department at Northeastern University and some star charts to guide your way. Bring your own telescope or binoculars if you have them!



Puppetry Studio

Thursdays, April 25 - May 30
5:00 - 6:30 PM
Main Library
Curious George Room

We will select a folktale to adapt for a tiny stage, and perform our masterpiece for friends and family. This six-week puppetry workshop is for kids ages 7-10. No experience necessary! Registration is required.

COLLINS BRANCH

Storytime
Mondays, 3:30 PM

Sing-Along
Tuesdays, 10:30 AM

O'CONNELL BRANCH

Sing-Along
Tuesdays, 10:30 AM &
Wednesdays, 11:00 AM

Songs and Stories in Spanish/Cuentos y Canciones en Español
Fridays, 3:00 PM

Magic Tree House Book Group
Wednesday, May 1, 4:00 PM
Pick up a copy of the book beforehand. Ages 5+.

Stories and Crafts
Thursdays, 3:30 PM
Hear stories and make related fun crafts you can take home!

O'NEILL BRANCH

Sing-Along
Mondays, 10:30 AM

Storytime
Thursdays, 11:00 AM

Books and Bites
Wednesday, May 15, 6:00 PM
Join us for a conversation about books and what's going on in the world. Food provided! Ages 11+.

Chapter Chat
Thursday, May 2, 4:00 PM
Read the book, then come for conversation and activities! Ages 7-10.

Pajama Storytime
Wednesday, May 29, 6:45 PM
Come to the library in your pajamas to listen to stories, read with your children, and enjoy a snack before bed!

* Main Library Children's program tickets are available to complete parties on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the program.

Age Ranges Baby Lapsit: Pre-walkers Onesies: Walking babies Toddler: 0–3 Preschool: 3–5 Afterschool: 5–10

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STEAM Events



Invasive Spirits: Food Futures

Saturdays, May 11 and May 25, 1:00-4:00 PM
Main Library, Café

May 11: FUTUREFOOD I – Learn more about the invisible forces of fermentation—featuring kvass, a traditional Russian fermented beverage made from leftover bread, created in collaboration with **Aeronaut Brewery**. We'll let everyone get in on the kvass-making action, with a big vat of breadcrumbs to soak and stir and make into magic.

May 25: FUTUREFOOD II – Featuring the "Invasive" ways of nature in the city. This event showcases an ice cream made with prolific Japanese Knotweed, cooked up **Toscanini's Gus Rancatore**. Come and taste this tart, fruity wild vegetable that ranges up and down our public green spaces.

On both dates, we'll have games and exercises to help us imagine a "Good Anthropocene" by proposing inventions, systems, and schemes for neighborly food flourishing in times of climate change. Bicycle gardens? Rooftop aquaculture? Neighborhood wind farms? Whatever you dream up, artists and designers from Harvard's metaLAB will make scheming such playful possibilities easy and fun. We'll take the richest outputs and turn them into cartoon visions of thriving urban scenarios for the Anthropocene for display in the gallery of the Cambridge Arts Council.

These events are part of the Invasive Spirits: Futurefood series, a partnership between Harvard's metaLAB, the Cambridge Arts Council, and the Cambridge Public Library. The culminating event will take place on Saturday, June 15.



Telling Your Family's Story Through a Photo Essay

Wednesday, May 29, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Learning Lab

CCTV Collaboration: Photographs are a powerful medium to tell your family's story. In this class, students will focus on each stage in the process of creating an effective photo essay including photography, selection, and structure. Register here: bit.ly/cctvcpl



Finding & Telling Your Family's Story

Tuesday, May 7, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Learning Lab

CCTV Collaboration: Everyone has a family story - the hard part is figuring out how you want it told. There are many ways to tell a story - by writing a book, creating a podcast, making a video, and more. In this class, students will learn to apply fundamental storytelling structures and techniques to tell their family's story. Register here: bit.ly/cctvcpl



Fixit Clinic

Saturday, May 18
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Learn to fix your torn clothing, broken electronics, appliances, computers, toys, sewing machines, bicycles, fabric items, etc. at the Fixit Clinic. Fixit Coaches will share their time, tools and expertise to consult with you on the disassembly, troubleshooting, and repair of your item. Gain the confidence and knowledge to make repairs and teach others to do the same. Open to all ages, registration is required. This event is brought to you by the Cambridge Public Library, The Cambridge Department of Public Works, and Fixit Clinic.

Registration Required: bit.ly/2fVWuFj

Volunteer to be a Fixit Coach: goo.gl/kwVNlv



Google Sheets

Tuesdays, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
May 7, 14, and 21
Main Library, Learning Lab

Learn how to use Google Sheets, a free and simple online spreadsheet creator, similar to Microsoft Excel. Register here:

camb.ma/compclasscpl



Google Apps and Cloud

Monday, May 6, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library, Rossi Room
Monday, May 13, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Main Library, Community Room

Join us for a two-hour introduction on using Google Apps to make, store and share documents and photos in Google Drive. Students will learn a little bit about what is meant by the terms, cloud, apps and drive, then learn to make, store, share and edit documents. All participants should have a google gmail account. If you don't have one, we'll help you get one at the start of the class. Register here: camb.ma/compclasscpl



Literacy & English for Speakers of Other Languages

MAIN LIBRARY

Beginner ESOL

Saturdays, 9:15 AM
Rossi Room

Intermediate ESOL

Tuesdays & Thursdays,
1:00 & 6:30 PM, Rossi Room

O'CONNELL BRANCH

Beginner ESOL

Conversation practice for beginning speakers of English in a small group setting with teacher guidance.

Mondays & Wednesdays, 6:00 PM

O'NEILL BRANCH

Intermediate ESOL

Mondays & Wednesdays, 6:15 PM

CENTRAL SQUARE

Beginner ESOL

Mondays, Wednesdays, &
Fridays 11:00 AM

Tuesdays & Thursdays
1:00 PM

Intermediate ESOL

Tuesdays & Thursdays
11:00 AM

Advanced ESOL

Tuesdays & Thursdays
3:00 PM

Job Hunting & Resume Writing Help

Wednesdays, 1:00–3:00 PM



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Web: Web Design, User Experience

CAD: 3D Printing, Interior Design

IT: Big Data, Cloud Computing

Design: Drawing, Logo Design

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Book Groups

Science Fiction & Fantasy Book Group

Wednesday, May 8, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

Two Serpents Rise
by Max Gladstone

Contemporary Book Group

Tuesday, May 21, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

Circe by Madeline Miller

Nonfiction Book Group

Monday, May 20, 1:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

No Time to Spare: Thinking About What Matters
by Ursula K. Le Guin
introduction by Karen Joy Fowler

Mindfulness Book Group

Thursday, May 16, 7:00 PM
Main Library
Curious George Room

Resilient: How to Grow an Unshakable Core of Calm, Strength, and Happiness
by Rick Hanson, Ph.D.

Please pick up a copy of the Mindfulness Book Group title at the Main Library Q&A Desk.

Boudreau Book Group

Tuesday, May 28, 12:00 PM
Boudreau Branch

Leaving Lucy Pear
by Anna Solomon

Central Square Social Club

Tuesday, May 7, 7:00 PM
Central Square Branch, Lewis Room

Sabrina by Nick Drnaso

Collins Book Group

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 PM
Collins Branch

Where'd You Go Bernadette
by Maria Semple

O'Connell Book Group

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30 PM
O'Connell Branch

Educated by Tara Westover

O'Neill Book Group

Monday, May 20, 6:30 PM
O'Neill Branch

The Leavers by Lisa Ko



Boudreau Branch

245 Concord Ave.
617-349-4017

Mon 10-6
Tue 10-8
Wed 10-6
Fri 10-6

Knitting Group

Tuesdays
May 14 and 28
7:00 PM
Boudreau Branch

Bring your project and enjoy an hour in the company of other crafters.



O'Connell Branch

48 Sixth St.
617-349-4019

Mon 10-8
Tue 10-8
Wed 10-8
Thu 10-6
Fri 10-6



Bi-lingual Book Launch

Tuesday, May 14
10:30-11:30 AM
O'Connell Branch

Book Launch for latest bi-lingual Chinese/ English & Spanish/ English Picture Book *Banana for Two* from author Ellen Mayer and illustrator Ying-Hwa Hu. They'll read side by side from each language, have related crafts, and sign copies of their books.



Central Square Branch

45 Pearl St.
617-349-4010

Mon 10-6
Tue 10-9
Wed 10-6
Thu 10-9
Fri 10-6
Sat 10-2



English Vinglish

Tuesday, May 14, 6:00 PM
Central Square Branch

Join us for a screening of "English Vinglish", a movie about a tradition-minded Indian housewife who enrolls in an accelerated English-language course after she finds herself unable to place a simple order in an American restaurant. Come watch the movie to celebrate and bring awareness of South Asian culture during the Asian Pacific American Heritage Month!



Intro to Baby Sign Language

Monday, May 20
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM
O'Connell Branch

Learn how to teach American Sign Language to your baby! You will learn everything that you need to know to get started signing right away. For caregivers with pre-verbal children ages 5 months and up. To register please contact the O'Connell Branch at 617-349-4019. Sponsored by the Greater Boston Early Childhood Resource Center at the CPL and the MA Department of Early Education and Care.



STEAM Story Time

Tuesday, May 14, 3:00 PM
O'Connell Branch

Mae Among the Stars: Rocket Science. A science-themed story for preschoolers, followed by hands-on activities to explore.

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month - Book Group

Tuesday, May 21, 6:30-7:30 PM
Central Square Branch, Lewis Room

Join us for a special book group discussion to honor the Asian Pacific Heritage Month by reading *The Refugees* by Viet Thanh Nguyen. Books can be picked up at the Front Desk of the Central Square Branch.

Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month Storytime & Craft Hour

Wednesday, May 8, 4:00-5:00 PM
Central Square, Children's Room



Family Game Night

Tuesday, May 7, 4:30 PM
Collins Branch

School age children and their families are invited to play math games such as Sleeping Queens, Blokus, Connect 4 and more. Organized by the Cambridge Math Circle.

Collins Family Bike Night

Thursday, May 16, 4:00-7:00 PM
Collins Branch, backyard

Spend an evening in the backyard getting your bicycle ready for spring riding! Bike experts from the Cambridge Community Development Dept will be here to give brief tuneups and advice for maintenance and biking safely with families.

Fourth Friday Fun: Silly Goose Music

Friday, May 24, 10:30 AM | Collins Branch

Come on down to Collins for a live concert of Delta-Silly music by Jeremy Lyons. Sing along to familiar tunes and learn new songs to get you dancing.



Adult Knitting Group

Every Thursday, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM
O'Connell Branch

This group can get you started, keep you motivated, and offer advice. No experience needed. Just bring your desire to knit.



Read to a Dog

Every other Monday
beginning May 6th

4:00 - 5:00 PM
O'Connell Branch
Registration begins at 3:30 PM

A Reading Companion Dog transforms reading into a special, warm & furry experience. Sign up for 10 minute time slots at the O'Connell Branch 30 minutes prior to the start of the program. For new or experienced readers of all ages. Please call the O'Connell Branch at 617-349-4019 for more information.



Collins Branch

64 Aberdeen Ave.
617-349-4021

Mon 10-6
Tue 10-6
Thu 1-8
Fri 10-6

Collins Knitting & Crochet Meetup and Yarn Swap

Thursday, May 23 | 6:00 - 7:00 PM
Collins Branch

Join fellow knitters, crocheters, and makers for a yarn swap, skill share and crafting meetup! Stop by to destash, relax, and share your current work. All skill and interest levels welcome! Swapping optional.



O'Neill Branch

70 Rindge Ave.
617-349-4023

Mon 10-8
Wed 10-8
Thu 10-6
Fri 10-6



CODING CLUB

Every Friday
3:30-4:30 PM
O'Neill Branch



Whether you are a beginner, or an advanced coder, kids ages 8-14 can drop in to play around on various coding platforms, and build essential computer programming skills!



Family STEAM Night

Wednesday, May 8, 6:30 PM | O'Neill Branch

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!