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- 4 Main Library**
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- 5 O'Connell Branch**
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Details are on our website.

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February 2019



EVENTS *at the* CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



**CPL International Briefing
Forced Migration and
Return: Aung San Suu Kyi
and the Rohingya Crisis**
Monday, February 11, 12:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Why have 3 million Rohingya fled their homes in Myanmar? Why has the government of Nobel Laureate Aung San Suu Kyi proven incapable of ending the crisis? Join Dr. David Dapice, a Myanmar expert with the Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, for an in-depth examination of the Rohingya crisis.



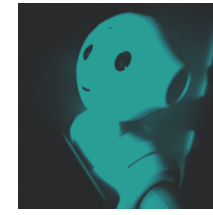
**Bracketology with
ESPN's Joe Lunardi**
Sunday, February 24, 2:00 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Joe Lunardi is the creator of Bracketology, and is ESPN's Resident Bracketologist for Men's College Basketball. He has developed what most consider to be chance into a science, and correctly predicts at least 65 of the 68 teams chosen for the NCAA tournament each year. Join "Joey Brackets" to learn how he does it, and to get tips and tricks on building your bracket for March Madness 2019!



**Stringed Theory
Exploring Ancient
Stringed Instruments**
Monday, February 25, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Join for us for the first phase of a musical series exploring ancient stringed instruments with oud player, Ghassan Sawalhi and kamancheh player Farzin Dehghan. The kamancheh (little bow in Persian) has been part of Persian music since the 14th century and is still widely used in the popular music of Iran and the Central Asian Republics. A staple of Arabic music, the oud is a pear-shaped instrument with 11 or 13 strings. The first known description of the oud dates to the 9th century.



**Is AI Laughing at Us?
A Conversation with
Jessica Fjeld, Jon Orwant,
& Nikhil Dharmaraj**
Monday, February 4, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

A spirited and accessible discussion of artificial intelligence and art, how humor and creativity interrelate, and the successes and the shortcomings of new AI technologies, featuring poet and lawyer Jessica Fjeld, Google AI Engineering Director Jon Orwant, and metaLAB research assistant (and incoming Harvard student) Nikhil Dharmaraj. Inspired by CPL's recent exhibition, *The Laughing Room* by Jonny Sun and Hannah Davis, in which visitors found themselves on a sitcom set where the laughter was controlled by AI.
Presented as part of Horizons: Exploring Breakthroughs in Science & Technology and Their Impact on Society, a lecture series of the the STEAM Initiative at Cambridge Public Library. Cosponsored by metaLAB (at) Harvard and the ARTificial Intelligence group at MIT.



**An African-American
Musical Journey: From
Spirituals to R&B**
Thursday, February 14, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Ground Floor

Celebrate Black music with Baritone, Todd McNeel, Tenor, Christopher Hester, and Soprano, Kristen Buabin.



Bernard-Henri Lévy
Wednesday, February 20, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Bernard-Henri Lévy is a philosopher, activist, filmmaker and author of more than thirty books including his latest, *The Empire And The Five Kings: America's Abdication and the Fate of the World*. His writing has appeared extensively in publications throughout Europe and the United States.

All Library locations will be closed on Monday, February 18 for Presidents Day



STEAM Creativity Zone gets a name!!

Cambridge residents selected "The Hive" as the name for the CPL's new makerspace and multimedia recording studios. It was one of two contenders proposed by students in the IFP Creative Doers program. The Hive is scheduled to open in Fall 2019. Thank you for your input!



Google Apps and Cloud Class

Monday, February 25
6:00 - 8:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi 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. Having gmail or a google account is required for this class. But don't worry if you don't have one yet – we'll help you sign up.



Grow Native Evening with Experts

Wednesday, February 6, 7:00 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

The Challenge and Promise of Restoring Urban Landscapes with Dr. Steven Handel, Distinguished Professor of Ecology and Evolution, Rutgers University.



Children's Room



ECRC Workshop: Grieving Mindfully while Parenting

Saturday, February 2, 10:00 AM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Grief impacts all persons, adults and children of all ages. In this workshop, we will explore ways to be with our grief mindfully, for the purposes of self-care and being supportive of our grieving children. Yasemin Isler is trained in Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction (MBSR), Mindful Schools, workplace mindfulness and Mindful Self-Compassion (MSC).

Request limited free child care at 617-349-4038. Sponsored by the Greater Boston Early Childhood Resource Center at the CPL and the MA Department of Early Education and Care.



Stand Up! Storytime for Social Justice: Black is Beautiful

Wednesday, February 6, 4:00 PM
Main Library, Children's Room

Black is Beautiful

Kick off Black History Month with stories of love and celebration alongside our special guest readers. Recommended ages 4-8.



Stand Up! Storytime for Social Justice: Not My Idea: A Book About Whiteness

Saturday, February 23, 11:00 AM
Main Library, Children's Room

Join us for a special Stand Up! Storytime for Social Justice event with author Anastasia Higginbotham. She'll be reading from her most recent book *Not My Idea: A Book About Whiteness*. No tickets required.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR TEENS

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Thursday
February 7
3:00 - 5:00 pm
Main Library
Community Room

Feeling stressed? Overwhelmed? Looking for some positive uplift? Come join the library's Teen Advisory Board for an afternoon of treats, kind thoughts, and a stress-busting activity.

Teen Advisory Board

Monday, February 11
5:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

Dungeons & Dragons

Monday, February 25
3:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room
Join us for adventure! Beginners welcome. Dice will be provided.

Returning in March!

ADULTING 101 FOR TEENS

Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 pm, Community Room

Back by popular demand, this session of Adulting 101 will answer your questions about finances. How do I manage my savings and spending? How do I open a bank account? What is credit anyway, and how do I get some of that? Attend one, a few, or all four workshops! For ages 14 - 19. Questions? Contact Maya at mescobar@cambridgema.gov

Thursday
March
7

Thursday
March
14

Thursday
March
21

Thursday
March
28

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, February 12, 6:00 PM
For ages 7-10
Wednesday, February 13, 6:00 PM
For ages 10-13

Main Library
Curious George Room

BOUDREAU BRANCH

Baby Lapsit
Tuesdays, February 5, 12, 19, 26
11:30 AM

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

COLLINS BRANCH

Storytime
Mondays, 3:30 PM

Sing-Along
Tuesdays, 10:30 AM

O'CONNELL BRANCH O'NEILL BRANCH

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

Afterschool Crafts
Thursdays, 3:30 PM

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

Family Reading Night
Tuesday, February 26, 6:30 PM
Relax and read to or with your family or friends!

Magic Tree House Book Group
Wednesday, February 6
4:00 PM

Pick up a copy of the book beforehand. Ages 5+.

Sing-Along
Mondays, 10:30 AM

Storytime
Thursdays, 11:00 AM

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

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

* 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
Capacities # 130 ^ 45 % 30

February Vacation Week at the Branches



Family Flower Yoga

Friday, February 22, 2:00pm
Boudreau Branch

What better way to bring vacation week to a close than to share in a fun and joyful yoga class.



Pom Pom Catapults

Friday, February 22, 2:00pm
Collins Branch

Construct a catapult from simple materials to launch pom poms into the air. Drop-in, grades K-5.



Perler Beads

Tuesday, February 19, 2:00pm
Collins Branch

Follow a pattern or create your own design as we fuse perler beads into art pieces. Drop-in, grades K-5.



Superheroes of Science!

Tuesday, February 19, 11:00am
Central Square Branch | Lewis Room

What do the world's fastest toilet paper shooter, quantum locking levitation, and T Rex have in common? They are all featured in Dinoman's fast-paced and fun presentation! Ages 4 and up.



Family Flower Yoga

Friday, February 22, 11:00am
Central Square Branch
Lewis Room

What better way to bring vacation week to a close than to share in a fun and joyful yoga class?



Animal World Experience

Tuesday, February 19, 3:00pm
O'Connell Branch

Meet and learn about turtles, snakes, rabbits, and more!



Comics Workshop for Kids

Wednesday, February 20, 2:30pm
O'Neill Branch

Learn to create your own comic with artist Dean Calusdian! For kids age 7-14. Sign up in advance by calling the O'Neill Branch at 617-349-4023.



Movie and Craft My Neighbor Totoro

Thursday, February 21, 2:30pm
O'Neill Branch

Enjoy a movie (*My Neighbor Totoro*) and create your own wood-spirit or soot sprite!



Literacy & English for Speakers of Other Languages

No classes on February 18

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

Free Tax Assistance

Free Tax Assistance offered by Certified Harvard Law School Students¹ will be available:

February 4 through April 13*
Main Library, Community Room
Fridays 12:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Saturdays 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Mondays 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm
For more info call (617) 349-4041
or email hls.taxhelp@gmail.com

*NO sessions on February 18, March 16, 18, 22, and 23

To Have Your Taxes Done You MUST Bring:
Your Social Security Card², Government Issued Photo ID (driver's license, etc.), Social Security Cards for all your dependents³, and any tax forms you have received (W-2, 1099-HC, etc.)

¹ The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly and limited English speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their tax returns.

² Or other government issued ID showing your social security number. A W-2 is NOT sufficient.

³ And spouse if filing a joint return.

Space is limited. Tickets will be handed out on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the program when the Main Library opens.



Book Groups

Science Fiction & Fantasy Book Group

Wednesday, February 13, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Rindge Room

Warbreaker

by Brandon Sanderson

Contemporary Book Group

Tuesday, February 19, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

Less by Andrew Sean Greer

Great Books Discussion Group

Tuesdays, February 5 & 19
7:15 PM

Main Library, Community Room

2/5: Hansberry, *A Raisin in the Sun*

2/19: Tennyson, selected poems

Nonfiction Book Group

Monday, February 25, 1:00 PM
Main Library, Rossi Room

Beyond Infinity:

An Expedition to the Outer

Limits of Mathematics

by Eugenia Cheng

Mindfulness Book Group

Thursdays, February 21, 7:00 PM
Main Library, Rindge Room

Real Love: The Art of Mindful Connection

by Sharon Salzberg

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

Boudreau Cooks

Tuesday, February 5
6:30 PM | Boudreau Branch
Call 617-349-4017 for more details or to register.

Boudreau Book Group

Tuesday, February 26,
12:00 PM | Boudreau Branch

There There by Tommy Orange

Central Square Social Club

Tuesday, February 5, 7:00 PM
Central Square Branch, Lewis Room

A Terrible Country by Keith Gessen

Collins Book Group

Thursday, February 14, 6:00 PM
Collins Branch

The Light of the World
by Elizabeth Alexander

O'Connell Book Group

Tuesday, February 19, 6:30 PM
O'Connell Branch

How to Be a Good Creature
by Sy Montgomery

We read Fiction & Non-Fiction

O'Neill Book Group

Monday, February 25, 6:30 PM
O'Neill Branch

The Cloister by James Carroll

February Vacation Week at the Main Library

All Programs in the Curious George Room at 2 pm



Pineapple Project:

A Theater Piece Celebrating Gender Creativity

Tuesday, February 19



Brain Teasers, Puzzles & Games

Wednesday, February 20



Choose Your Own Afternoon: Board Games, Puzzles, & Pop-up Books

Thursday, February 21



Family Film: The Incredibles 2

Friday, February 22



Boudreau Branch

245 Concord Ave.
617-349-4017

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

DNA Testing and Genealogical Research

Tuesday, February 12, 6:00 PM
Boudreau Branch

This class will explore the nature of DNA testing, a comparison of the leading tests, how to interpret the results, and its significance for genealogical research. It will also look at the limitations of the tests and some of the drawbacks to such testing. Registration is required. Call 617-349-4017 for more information or to register.

Make a Valentine

Wednesday, February 13, 2:30 PM
Boudreau Branch

Drop in to create a card for a special someone!



Knitting Group

Tuesdays, February 12 & February 26
7:00 PM
Boudreau Branch



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



For the Love of Chocolate

Tuesday, February 12, 6:30 PM
Central Square Branch
Lewis Room

The Fine Cacao and Chocolate Institute [FCCI] will be talking about ethics of cacao and chocolate production and the relationship of the holiday with chocolate consumption. Dr. Carla D. Martin's presentation will explain the chocolate market and the specifics of how St. Valentines affects the industry. The presentation will be followed by chocolate tasting. Seating for this free event is first come, first served.

Family Game Night

Monday, February 11, 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.

This event is part of the CPL STEAM Initiative.

Third Thursday Makers' Tea: Chain Reactions

Thursday, February 21, 4:00 PM | Collins Branch

Drop in for tea and snacks as we create a kinetic art piece together. Weave together craft sticks that will fly apart in a chain reaction. All ages.

Fourth Friday Fun

Friday, February 22, 10:30 AM | Collins Branch

Dinosaur Party: Join us for a t-rexcellent storytime followed by games and activities featuring the most dino-mite creatures to have walked the Earth. All ages.



O'Connell Branch

48 Sixth St.
617-349-4019

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

STEAM Story Time

Tuesday, February 12, 3:00 PM
O'Connell Branch

White Rabbit's Color Book: Color Science.

A science-themed story for preschoolers, followed by hands-on activities to explore.

This event is part of the CPL STEAM Initiative.

Stories and Crafts!

Thursdays, 3:30 PM
O'Connell Branch

Hear stories and make related fun crafts you can take home!



O'Neill Branch

70 Rindge Ave.
617-349-4023

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

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Wednesday, February 13, 6:30 PM
O'Neill Branch

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Read to a Dog

Monday, February 11

4:00 - 5:00 PM

O'Connell Branch

Check with the Branch for details. Sign up for a 10 minute time slot at the O'Connell Branch 30 minutes prior to the program.

Knitting Group

Every Thursday, 10:30 AM

O'Connell Branch

No experience needed.

Color me Calm Adult Coloring Group

Wednesday, February 6, 6:00pm

O'Connell Branch

Adult coloring group. Exercise your creative spirit in a stress-free way. Drop in for coloring, creating and relaxing. No experience needed. We have supplies available or bring your own.

CODING CLUB

Fridays, 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! *This event is part of the CPL STEAM Initiative.*



STEAM Initiative AT THE
CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY



Collins Branch

64 Aberdeen Ave.
617-349-4021

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

DNA Testing and Genealogical Research

Thursday, February 28, 6:00 PM | Collins Branch

This class will explore the nature of DNA testing, a comparison of the leading tests, how to interpret the results, and its significance for genealogical research. It will also look at the limitations of the tests and some of the drawbacks to such testing. Registration is required. Call 617-349-4023 for more information or to register.

