

LIBRARY LOCATIONS



- 1 Boudreau Branch**
245 Concord Ave.
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 - 5 O'Connell Branch**
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- All locations are accessible by public transportation
Details are on our website.

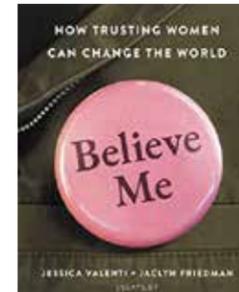
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February 2020



EVENTS *at the* CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY



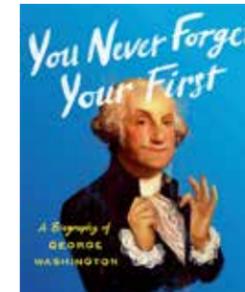
Jaclyn Friedman presents
Believe Me: How Trusting Women Can Change the World in conversation with Stacy Malone
Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Harvard Book Store and the Cambridge Public Library welcome writer, performer, and activist Jaclyn Friedman for a discussion of her new co-edited anthology, *Believe Me: How Trusting Women Can Change the World*. She will be joined in conversation by contributor and Executive Director of the Victim Rights Law Center Stacy Malone.



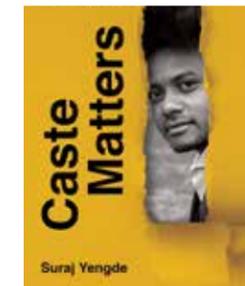
Bernard-Henri Lévy in conversation with Dr Stephanie Ravillon
Thursday, February 20
6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

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. Lévy will be joined in conversation with Dr. Stephanie Ravillon of Brown University. Register to attend this free event on our website.



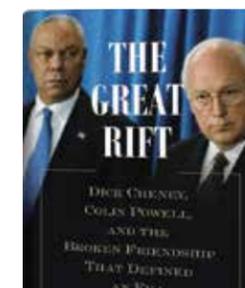
Alexis Coe presents
You Never Forget Your First: A Biography of George Washington
Monday, February 10, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall
Harvard Book Store, Mass Humanities, and the Cambridge Public Library welcome Alexis

Coe—author of the award-winning *Alice + Freda Forever: A Murder in Memphis*—for a discussion of her latest book, *You Never Forget Your First: A Biography of George Washington*. She will be joined by Frankfurter Harvard Law School Professor Noah Feldman.



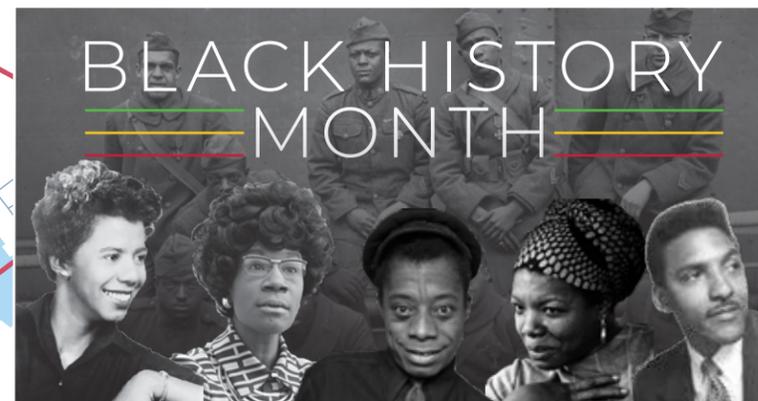
Suraj Yengde presents
Caste Matters in conversation with Cornel West
Wednesday, February 26
6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Suraj Yengde is an award-winning scholar and activist from India, and author of the bestseller, *Caste Matters*. *Caste Matters* delves into the oldest surviving form of discrimination: Caste. The book challenges deep-seated beliefs about caste and unpacks its many layers. It exposes the multiple humiliations suffered by Dalits on a daily basis, and their incredible resilience enabled by love and humor.



James Mann presents
The Great Rift
Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

The Great Rift is a sweeping history of the intertwined careers of Dick Cheney and Colin Powell, whose rivalry and conflicting views of U.S. national security color our political debate to this day. Mann explores each man's biography and philosophical predispositions to show how and why this deep and permanent rupture occurred. Through dozens of original interviews and surprising revelations, he brings to life the very human story of how this influential friendship turned so sour and how the enmity of these powerful men colored the way America acts in the world. This event is cosponsored by Henry Holt and Company.



All Library locations will be closed Monday, February 17 in observance of Presidents' Day.



Black History Month Art Exhibition
Kenneth Headley:
“The Paper Clip Artist”
 Opening Reception on
Wednesday, February 12, 6:00 - 6:30 PM
Main Library, Community Room.

Kenneth Headley, aka Kencaid, was born and raised in Cambridge and still calls the City home. Headley creates images of Cambridge landmarks using a unique method: he sketches the bare lines of the work on his canvas, burns the lines of the prospective piece with a wood burner, and applies paint to the outline using a paper clip. His work will be on display at the Main Library from February 10 – 22.



Grow Native Massachusetts and the CPL Presents
Nature's Best Hope with Doug Tallamy
Wednesday, February 5, 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Harvard, Science Center Hall B

Recent headlines about global insect declines, the impending extinction of one million species worldwide, and three billion fewer birds in North America are a bleak reality check about how ineffective our current landscape designs have been at sustaining the plants and animals that sustain us. Doug Tallamy will discuss simple steps that each of us can—and must take—to reverse declining biodiversity and to explain why we, ourselves, are nature's best hope. His newest book, *Nature's Best Hope*, may be purchased at the lecture.



Bullet Journaling 101
Wednesday, February 5, 6:30 - 8:30 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Bullet journals combine creativity with structure in a flexible format that includes

list making, planning, and journaling. This session will provide an overview of the Bullet Journal method created by Ryder Carroll and will demonstrate how it is customizable to your life. We will focus on templates that you can immediately put to use for better organization of your notebook, time, and thoughts. Register on our website.



Ken Gloss presents The Value of Old & Rare Books
Wednesday, February 12, 6:00 PM
Main Library, Lecture Hall

Kenneth Gloss, proprietor of the internationally known Brattle Book Shop will discuss the value of old and rare

books. Ken will talk about and show some of his favorite finds and describe some of the joys of the "hunt," as well as explain what makes a book go up in value. There will be a Q&A session before the conclusion of his talk. Following the talk and Q&A session, he will give free verbal appraisals of all books that attendees have brought.



Yoga Nidra – Deep Relaxation for Stress Relief
Tuesday, February 11
6:30 - 8:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Yoga nidra is practiced lying down and incorporates body scanning, guided imagery and breath awareness. Yoga nidra is deeply restorative and helps alleviate stress, anxiety and insomnia and leads to a greater sense of peace and well-being.

Suitable for all levels, no 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. To register, please visit our website.



Consumer Resources Class
Wednesday, February 19
3:00 - 4:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Looking for a new appliance, car, or computer? Lost in a sea of reviews (are they real or fake)? Let the library help! Explore the Consumer Resources available at the Cambridge Public Library and learn to buy with confidence. No registration required.

Teen's Room

Teen Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, February 24, 5:00 - 6:00 PM
Rossi Room, Main Library

Dungeons & Dragons for Teens
Monday, February 24, 3:00 - 5:00 PM
Rossi Room, Main Library

Join us for adventure! Beginners welcome.

Teen Video Game Afternoon
Wednesday, February 12, 2:30 - 4:00 PM
Main Library, Community Room

Join the gaming fun with board games, Nintendo Switch games, and more! Ages 12-18

IFP Studios Creative Doers
Mondays & Thursdays, 3:30 - 6:30 PM
January – March
Main Library, Learning Lab

Free after-school STEAM program for teens. Dream, design and build experiences that will look amazing on your college applications. Learn about amazing careers never imagined. Discover how your passions intersect with opportunities and get paid for it! The semester runs from January 6 to March 19. Please register through the CPL website.

Book Groups

Contemporary Book Group
 Tuesday, February 18, 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Main Library, Rossi Room
The Forgiven by Lawrence Osborne

Great Books
 Tuesdays, February 4 & 18, 7:15 - 8:45 PM
 Curious George Room, Main Library
 2/4: *Long Day's Journey Into Night* by Eugene O'Neill
 2/18: Philip Larkin, selected poems

Nonfiction Book Group
 Monday, February 24, 1:00 - 2:00 PM
 Rossi Room, Main Library
Out of Line: A Life of Playing with Fire by Barbara Lynch

Science Fiction & Fantasy Reading Group
 Wednesday, February 12, 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Main Library, Community Room
An Unkindness of Ghosts by Rivers Solomon

Mindfulness Book Group
 Thursday, January 16, 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Rossi Room, Main Library
Mindful of Race: Transforming Racism from the Inside Out by Ruth King

Boudreau Book Group
 Wednesdays, February 12 & 25, 12:00 - 1:00 PM
 Boudreau Branch
 2/12: *The Overstory* by Richard Powers
 2/25: *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson

Central Square Social Club
 Tuesday, February 4, 7:00 - 8:00 PM
 Central Square Branch, Lewis Room
To be Taught, if Fortunate by Becky Chambers

Collins Book Group
 Thursday, February 13, 6:00 - 7:00 PM
 Collins Branch
Bad Blood by John Carreyrou

O'Connell Book Group
 Tuesday, February 18, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 O'Connell Branch

O'Neill Book Group
 Monday, February 24, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 O'Neill Branch
The Warmth of Other Suns by Isabel Wilkerson

Valente Branch Perspectives Book Group
 Monday, February 10, 6:30 - 7:30 PM
 Program Room, Valente Branch
Black is the Body: Stories from My Grandmother's Time, My Mother's Time, and Mine by Emily Bernard

Free Tax Help

Harvard Law School Tax Assistance

Main Library, Community Room | February 3 through April 13
Fridays 12:00 - 4:00 PM, Saturdays 10:00 AM - 3:30 PM | Mondays from 5:00 - 7:30 PM

There will be no tax help on February 17 (Presidents' Day) or March 13, 14, 16, 20 or 21 due to Harvard's Spring Break. This program is available to people who generally make \$56,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English speaking taxpayers. Due to capacity constraints and training requirements, we will be unable to prepare returns for any taxpayers in the U.S. on a visa, including foreign students and teachers. 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.

To get your taxes done you MUST bring:

Your social security card or other government issued ID showing your social security number (a W-2 is not sufficient)

Government issued photo ID (driver's license, passport, etc.)

Social security cards for all dependents (and spouse if filling a joint return)

Any tax forms you have received (W-2, 1099-HC, etc.)

TaxHelp is an all volunteer group from Harvard Law School. The program is extremely popular every year and, while Tax Help tries to accommodate everyone, service is not guaranteed.

For more information about HLS Tax Help visit our website.

Literacy & English for Speakers of Other Languages

No ESOL classes on Monday, February 17 for Presidents' Day

MAIN LIBRARY

Beginner ESOL
 Saturdays, 9:15 AM, Rossi Room

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

O'NEILL BRANCH

Intermediate ESOL
 Mondays & Wednesdays, 6:15 PM

Job Hunting & Resume Writing Help
 Monday, February 3, 6:00 - 7:30 PM
 Monday, March 2, 6:00 - 7:30 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

VALENTE BRANCH

Beginner ESOL
 Mondays, 6:00 PM

Children's Room

Bookshop

Monday, February 3, 5:30 - 6:45 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Bookshop is a hybrid book group and makerspace workshop for ages 11-13/grades 6-8. Advance registration is required. For more information or to register, email Emily Meyer at emeyer@cambridgema.gov.

Instrument Petting Zoo

Saturday, February 8, 2:00 - 3:00 PM
Curious George Room, Main Library

Come meet musicians, hear great music, and discover an instrument hiding inside yourself! We'll be joined by vocalists from Longy School of Music of Bard College's Teaching Assistantship Program to rap, rhyme, read poetry, and talk about the voice as an instrument. Recommended for children ages 5+ and their caregivers. Sponsored by the Cambridge Public Library Foundation.



Queer Kids Stuff LIVE

Tuesday, February 18, 2:00 - 3:00 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Celebrate LGBTQ+ history and present day with songs and storytelling. Recommended for children ages 5 and up and their caregivers.



Jenny the Juggler

Wednesday, February 19
2:00 - 3:00 PM

Curious George Room, Main Library

Jenny the Juggler's fabulous variety show includes juggling, magic, music, and more! Children of all ages and their caregivers.

Choose Your Own Afternoon

Thursday, February 20, 2:00 - 3:00 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Board games, puzzles and pop-up books. Children all ages and their caregivers.

Family Movie - Abominable

Friday, February 21, 2:00 - 3:45 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

For children and their caregivers.

Word Play

Saturday, February 29, 2:00 - 2:45 PM
Main Library, Curious George Room

Clown around with the alphabet in this fun and interactive show! A puppet show recommended for children ages 3+ and their caregivers.

STEAM Events

LEARNING LAB CLASSES

Main Library, 449 Broadway, Cambridge, MA 02138 | Register at cambridgepl.libcal.com or call 617-349-4041

Introduction to Google Drive

Saturday, February 15, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

This course provides an overview of Google Drive. You will learn how to save, organize, and share files in the cloud. Enjoy a brief introduction to Google apps including Docs, Sheets, Photos, and Maps. Registration required.

Introduction to Audio Editing with Audacity (CCTV)

Thursday, February 20, 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Audacity is a free and powerful open-source audio editor that works on Mac, Windows, and Linux. Students will learn the basics of post-production techniques including audio restoration, noise reduction, EQ'ing, and compression. Instructor: Scotty Vercoe. Taught by expert instructors from Cambridge Community Television (CCTV). Registration required.

Tech Time

Saturday, February 29, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

15 minute one-on-one technology help sessions are now available at CPL. Bring your device or computer and questions! These sessions are great for people with questions regarding: basic computer skills, internet searching, email, and word processing. *We are unable to troubleshoot or fix malfunctioning devices, take apart or replace physical parts on a device, or participate in credit card transactions.* First come, first served.

Introduction to Google Photos

Saturday, February 22, 2:00 - 3:30 PM

Learn how to organize your photos in the cloud - create albums, share photos with others, and make small edits. Please have a Gmail account before coming to class. Registration required.

Branch Events

Boudreau Branch

Boudreau Cooks!

Tuesday, February 4, 6:30 - 7:45 PM

Read, cook, discuss and eat! Call 617-349-4017 for this month's title or more information.

Valentine Fun!

Monday, February 10, 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Make a sweet treat for someone special.

Tuesday, February 11, 3:00 - 3:30 PM

Decorate boxes for the treat we made. Recommended for children 4 and older and their caregivers.

Knitting Group

Tuesdays, February 11 & 25, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

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

Vacation Week Program: Barn Babies

Friday, February 21, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Come cuddle and pet baby animals! Kittens, puppies, bunnies and a goat that wears a diaper! Space is limited, please call 617-349-4017 to register. Registration will begin on February 10.

Central Square Branch

Bicycle Maintenance Clinic

Saturday, February 8, 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Want to learn hands-on how to fix your bike or already know how but need tools and a repair stand? Mechanics will be on hand to set you up on a bike stand and provide instruction and guidance if desired! Bring your bike and/or bike-related questions!

Central Square Branch

Pineapple Project

Tuesday, February 18, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Join us for a fun and engaging original theater piece for children that explores gender, creativity, and each child's freedom to be who they are. Recommended for ages 4 - 8 and their caregivers.

2020 Census Info Session

Tuesday, February 18, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

This information session will help explain what the Census means for you as well as a timeline of what to expect and what you need to do to make sure you, your family, and others are counted in the Census. The US Census determines congressional representation and federal funding we all rely on, but did you know that Cambridge receives approximately \$2,000 per resident, per year based off the US Census? Completing your US Census form impacts funding for programs that affect you and your family like education and childcare, public transportation, affordable housing, healthcare, etc. Cambridgema.gov/2020census for more information.

Grassroots Rising: A Call to Action on Climate, Farming, Food, and a Green New Deal with Living on Earth Radio

Thursday, February 20, 6:30 - 8:30 PM

Join author Ronnie Cummins as he discusses his new book *Grassroots Rising: A Call to Action on Climate, Farming, Food, and a Green New Deal* with *Living on Earth Radio* host Steve Curwood.

Regular Programs for Children and Their Caregivers

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, Feb 11, 6:00 PM
For ages 7-10

Wednesday, Feb 12, 6:00 PM

For ages 10-13

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

COLLINS BRANCH

Storytime

Mondays, 3:30 PM

Sing-Along

Tuesdays, 10:30 AM

O'CONNELL BRANCH

Sing-Along

Wednesdays, 11:00 AM

Magic Tree House Book Group

Wednesday, Feb 5 | 4:00 PM

Our book club for kids ages 5 and up! Pick up a copy of *Civil War on Sunday* beforehand.

Stories and Crafts

Thursdays, 3:30 PM

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

Afterschool Puzzle Club

Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

Have fun solving pencil & paper puzzles: riddles, wordplay, visual, math, & logic.

O'NEILL BRANCH

Sing-Along

Mondays, 10:30 AM

Storytime

Thursdays, 11:00 AM

Chapter Chat

Thursday, Feb 6, 4:00 PM

Read the book, then come for conversation and activities! Ages 7-10.

VALENTE BRANCH

Sing-Along

Tuesdays, 10:30 AM

Program Room

Story Time

Thursdays, 10:30 AM

Program Room

* 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 #

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Collins Branch

Get All Your Critical Documents in One Place with Jana Odette

Thursday, February 6, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Get a jump on peace of mind by learning a straightforward, gradual system to organize your critical documents in one compact, portable place. Professional organizer and coach Jana Odette brings humor, humanity and real-life tips to help you set your process in motion. You will walk away empowered!

Family Math Games

Tuesday, February 11, 4:30 - 5:30 PM

School age children and their families are invited to play math games such as Sleeping Queens, Blokus, Connect 4 and more.

Vacation Week Program: Alternate & Virtual Reality

Tuesday, February 18, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Join us for opportunity to experiment with visual and augmented reality! This immersive experience utilizes Merge headsets and Merge Cubes. Ages 10+

Vacation Week Program: Third Thursdays

Thursday, February 20, 5:00 - 6:00 PM

Drop in for a STEAM Kit petting zoo and take these circulating sets for a test run. Did you know you can borrow a kit featuring activities in science, technology, engineering, art and/or math from any location of the Cambridge Public Library? Come to Collins to see what we have from computer coding to tinkering and take one home today. All ages.

Vacation Week Program: Children's Concert

Friday, February 21, 10:30 - 11:00 AM

Mai Nguyen is a flutist from Cambridge, MA. She has performed with the Boston Youth Symphony and NEC's Youth Philharmonic, and has also attended BU's Tanglewood Institute and the Vancouver Symphony's Orchestral Institute. At her former high school, Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, she founded the Chamber Music Collaboration. Currently, she leads the Greater Boston Music Outreach and works in the Boston Symphony's Education and Community Engagement Department. Children of all ages and their caregivers are invited for a morning of musical performance and exploration!

Vacation Week Program: Perler Beads

Friday, February 21, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

Follow a pattern or create your own design with fusible Perler beads. For children age 5 and up with their caregivers.

Collins Branch

Knitting & Crochet Meetup and Yarn Swap

Thursday, February 27, 6:00 - 7:00 PM

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 ages, skill and interest levels welcome!

Fourth Friday Fun

Friday, February 28, 10:30 - 11:15 AM

Skip, Hop, Jump - On the fourth Friday of each month, Collins Branch hosts a special storytime and craft at 10:30am. Leap Day falls only once every four years. With February 29 occurring in 2020, we will celebrate with an active morning of movement and stories. For children of all ages and their caregivers.

O'Connell Branch

Kindness Club

Monday, February 3, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Join us to talk about random acts of kindness we can do in our lives. Meet the "Kindness Challenge!" This month: make valentines to let people know you're thinking of them!

STEAM Story Time

Tuesday, February 11, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

A science-themed story for preschoolers, followed by hands-on activities to explore. February Theme and Story: **Hearts and Lungs!** *Hear Your Heart* by Paul Showers.

Vacation Week Program: Pineapple Project

Tuesday, February 18, 1:00 - 2:00 PM

Join us for a fun and engaging original theater piece for children that explores gender, creativity, and each child's freedom to be who they are. Recommended for ages 4 - 8 and their caregivers.

Random Fandom: My Little Pony!

Wednesday, February 19, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Join fellow fans of *My Little Pony Friendship is Magic* at O'Connell! We'll play friendship games, color, and sing "Winter Wrap-Up!"

Random Fandom: Wings of Fire!

Friday, February 21, 3:00 - 5:00 PM

Join fellow fans of Tui Sutherland's *Wings of Fire* series at O'Connell to draw dragons, do a trivia challenge, and talk about the stories.

Fiber Crafts Group

Thursdays, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Whether you knit, crochet, embroider or enjoy other fabric crafts connect with this group for creative inspiration, advice, conversation or just a block of time to work on your project. Drop-ins welcome.

O'Connell Branch

Read to a Dog

Monday, February 10, 4:00 - 5:00 PM

A Reading Companion Dog transforms reading into a special, warm and furry experience. Sign-ups for a 10-minute time slot beginning an hour before the start of the program, by phone or in person. For new or experienced readers of all ages. Please contact the Branch for details at 617-349-4019.

O'Neill Branch

Vacation Week Program: Drop-in Art Studio

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Wednesday, February 19

Thursday, February 20

Friday, February 21

Calling all young artists! Come to the O'Neill branch to explore your creativity. Each day we will discover different artists and make creations based on their work and style. This art will hang in the public display space in March for all to see! Recommended for ages 4-10.

Vacation Week Program: Zoo New England Presents Wildlife Conservation

Friday, February 21, 2:30 - 3:15 PM

Zoo New England comes to the library to discuss wildlife conservation efforts. Learn about what the zoo is working on, how you can do your part, and meet some real live animals! For ages 5 and up.

Explore Micro:bits

Thursday, February 27, 4:45 - 5:30 PM

Learn how to control Micro:bits computers using the microBlocks program. Create games, sounds, and messages on a hand-held computer! For ages 10-18. No registration required.

Read to a Dog

Wednesday, February 5, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

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 1 week in advance by calling or visiting the O'Neill Branch (617-349-4023).

Coding Club

Thursdays, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

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

O'Neill Branch

Family Game Night

Monday, February 10, 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Challenge your family or meet new friends over board games and puzzles. Play an old favorite or learn a new game. The library will supply games and puzzles. All ages welcome.

Valente Branch

Tasty Winter Soups & Stews

Monday, February 3, 6:30 - 7:30 PM

Get a fresh start in 2020 at your library! Did you resolve to cook more in the new year? Looking for some inspiration for quick and healthy dinners? Chef JJ Gonson will show you how to prepare some delicious, hearty soups that will warm you from the inside out. Register for this event on our website or by calling the branch.

Drop-in Crafts

Fridays, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Come make something fabulous to take home or share with a friend! For children of all ages and their caregivers.

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Vacation Week Program:

How to Boil Water

Tuesday, February 18, 2:00 - 3:00 PM

If you can boil water, you can make a delicious meal! Chef Liz will take the class step-by-step through one pasta dish and one rice dish everyone can make at home with confidence and success. For children and teens ages 8 and up. To register, please visit our website or call the Valente Branch at 617-349-4015.

Leap Day Dance Party

Saturday, February 29, 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Celebrate the extra day with a dance party at the library! Children of all ages and their caregivers.