



CAMBRIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Live Mural Painting at the Cambridge Public Library

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What: Cambridge Public Library invites you to watch a mural come to life! During the week of January 13, a mural is being created for installation in The Hive, the new STEAM Initiative makerspace and creativity zone opening in March at the Main Library. The mural is being painted on canvas by local artist Daniela Gamba, who designed a bright and colorful image just for this new community space. A graduate of Massachusetts College of Art and Design, Daniela is a Boston-based illustrator, digital artist, and the lead illustrator for the citizen-science online game Eyewire.

Amy Sterling, Eyewire executive director, and Marissa Sorek, game master at Eyewire, will be on hand to introduce visitors to the game that crowdsources neuroscience by engaging gamers in mapping the human brain. Patrons can also participate in a community art project to create a giant neuron.

How: This mural is possible with funding from the City of Cambridge and the Cambridge Public Library Foundation. Jason Weeks, Executive Director of the Cambridge Arts Council, also played an instrumental role in this effort.

When: To watch painting, drop in anytime Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm, except Thursday morning. Drop-in activities will take place Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, 10am-5pm.

Where: In the Learning Lab at the Main Library, located at 449 Broadway, Cambridge.

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About the STEAM Initiative:

Cambridge STEAM Initiative, a partnership between the City's Department of Human Service Programs, the Cambridge Public Library and Cambridge Public Schools, is committed to creating, enhancing, and expanding equitable access to quality STEAM learning experiences from birth to adulthood. By 2022, the partners commit to engaging 10,000 community members, including diverse and traditionally underrepresented populations, in quality STEAM programming ranging from introductory exposure activities to intensive internship experiences.

About the Cambridge Public Library:

The Cambridge Public Library opened in 1889 and serves the community of Cambridge, Massachusetts. It provides free access to information for over 105,000 Cambridge residents and provides an engaging community space for innovative events and programming. The Library's programming provides an opportunity for civic dialog, conversation and learning, which includes exploring a wide range of views.