



LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER



July/August/September 2020

UPCOMING PROGRAMS*

SUMMER READING

Imagine Your Story:

July 7, 21 and

August 4, 18

For students entering grades K-5.

The Library will supply all materials needed for each of the following four sessions.



July 7: Color My World

Create a version of your world and what you love using pastels on a large piece of brown craft paper.

July 21: Silly Madlib Cartoon Strips

Enjoy a Madlib game created to be about you. Then create a comic strip about your silly story.

August 4: Abstract Story Self-Portrait

Paint a colorful abstract background. Add a black and white photo of yourself and word phrases showing all of your favorites.

August 18: Illustrated Silhouette

Using the idea of a traditional profile silhouette, you will turn it inside-out to create a story all about you. You will have a black background and your silhouette will be white-filled with collage and drawings that tell all about you and how you see your future.

Summer Open Studio/Still Life with Kristen Thornton (students entering grades 6-12),

Tuesdays, July 7, 21 and August 4, 18 at 5 P.M.

Students will recreate Still Life exhibits from their choice of media and materials, i.e. painting (watercolors/oils) or drawing (charcoals/pastels.) Kristen Thornton will guide them through their projects as they work at their individual paces. Materials will be supplied for all programs, but students may bring their own supplies if they choose. Limited to 10 participants. Please note: Fall Open Studio Classes will resume on September 8.

***Note:** As of this printing, it is still uncertain as to whether these programs can be held in the library or must be held remotely. Please contact the library as soon as possible at 860-434-2272 or programreg@lymepl.org if you are interested and to register. The number of children registered will help determine how and where the programs are conducted.

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS (Now on Tuesdays)

Art & Books with Kristen Thornton,

Tuesday, September 8 from 3:15 to 4:30 P.M.

Kristen Thornton will conduct after school art programs which will feature a story, based on a recent or notable children's book, and art activity.

Toying with Science with Kristen Thornton,

Tuesday, September 15 from 3:15 to 4:30 P.M.

Each session will explore a principle of physics or chemistry by making something fun that works, with everyday materials!

Open Studio/Still Life with Kristen Thornton for Grades 6-12

Tuesdays from 5 to 6 P.M. beginning September 8

Students will recreate Still Life exhibits from their choice of media and materials, i.e. painting (watercolors/oils) or drawing (charcoals/pastels.) Kristen Thornton will guide them through their projects as they work at their individual paces. Materials will be supplied for all programs, but students may bring their own supplies if they choose. Limited to 10 participants. Please call or email programreg@lymepl.org to register.

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PROGRAMS SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



Please register for the programs below by calling 860-434-2272 or email programreg@lymepl.org.

Please note: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, almost all library programs will be virtual or held outdoors until further notice. Please check our website and social media sites, and sign up for our email list to get updates on when in-person library programs will resume.

A Note about Summer 2020 Programs from the Library Programming Committee

Greetings all! At this time, all in-person programs at our library are temporarily suspended because of COVID-19 and our attempt to protect everyone through social distancing. Until the library can open its doors and welcome back patrons into the community room for programs, we will be offering all our programs through the Zoom format. We will keep you updated and informed as to how to access these programs as they become available.

In early 2020, a new committee formed to coordinate event programming at the library. It features members from the Friends of the Library, Library Board Directors, and the library director. The committee welcomes feedback from the community. If you have ideas for programs you'd like to see at the library, please contact Library Director Theresa Conley at 860-434-2272 or tconley@lymepl.org.

The "Program Committee" is working to host an outside family fun program entitled, "Summer Plantings" for parents and a children, as soon as the library grounds become available.



- F** Families- parent and child
- A** Art- paint your own flower pot
- M** Mixed herbs
- I** Intellectual- learn about herbs and their uses
- L** Luscious herbal teas for sampling
- Y** Yard enhancing

- F** Fascinating
- U** Unforgettable
- N** Nutritious

As you can see from this acrostic, this will be a multi-faceted adventure. Nancy Ballek McKinnon will host an outside workshop for families on the library's grounds. Each child will be given his or her own flower pot to paint. Nancy will give a brief tutorial about a variety of herbs and how to identify them and their uses. There will be a sampling of herbal teas, and each family can chose an herb to plant and take home, Please check the library's website for the time and date of this inventive adventure.

Library Cookbook Club's deadlines for photos: July 11, August 8, and September 12.

Our Library Cookbook Club has gone virtual! Members are cooking monthly themed recipes at their convenience and then submitting photos of their creations that the Library will post on its social media sites. All are welcome to participate. Please send your photos to kvarady@lymepl.org.

July's theme: Jams or Relishes

August's theme: a zucchini and or tomato dish

September's theme: a dish from a place you have traveled in either the United States or abroad

Message from Mary Mazur

President, Friends of the Lyme Public Library

*"Nothing sickens me more than the closed door of a library."
"Books are the carriers of civilization. Without books, history is silent, literature dumb, science crippled, thought and speculation at a standstill."*

—Barbara W. Tuchman

The days have slipped into weeks and the weeks into months as this pandemic has made its impact. There is no one among us who has not felt its long-reaching arm affect our life. Humans need community. We need contact with like-minded individuals and the escape that welcomes us all in the aisles of our library. As the library gradually opens its welcoming doors, let us rejoice in the treasures that await us.

BOOK CLUBS

Library Book Club, Thursday, September 10 at 7 P.M.

The Library Book Club does not meet in July and August. Meetings will resume in September with a title to be announced. New members and guests are always welcome.

Reading Group

The Reading Group is on hiatus for the summer. Meetings will resume on September 11. The group meets on the second and fourth Fridays of the month at 2 P.M.

LIBRARY NEWS

Library Reopens after COVID-19 Pandemic

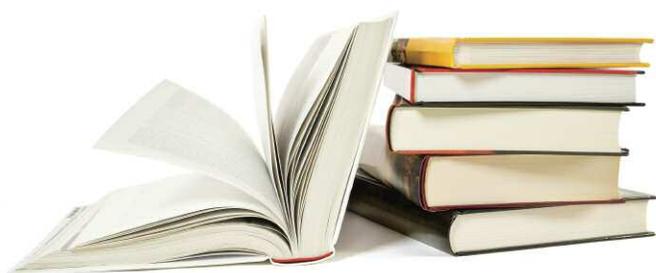
After a ten-week shutdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Library opened for curbside service on May 26, and then opened its doors to patrons on June 9. The Library is open to patrons three days a week until July 6 when we anticipate resuming our regular schedule. Curbside service is still available on the alternate days. We have made many changes to provide for patron and staff safety. Please check our website at <http://lymepl.org/latenews.htm> for our current hours, the most recent developments, and guidelines. Patrons who are signed up for our email list received daily updates during the shutdown with information and updates about our digital resources and other suggestions to get them through the closure. If you have not already done so, we urge you to sign up for our email list so that we may notify you about breaking developments and programs that did not make it into our newsletter. You can sign up by sending an email to programreg@lymepl.org. Also, you can follow us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to keep track of what's happening at the library.



Books in the Lyme Public Library Collection That Foster Understanding and Spur Dialogue about Issues Involving Race in the United States*

- *Americanah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie (Fiction)
- *An American Marriage* by Tayari Jones (Fiction)
- *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates (Nonfiction)
- *Biased: Uncovering the Hidden Prejudice That Shapes What We See, Think, and Do* by Jennifer L. Eberhardt (Nonfiction)
- *The Bluest Eye* by Toni Morrison (Fiction)
- *Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson (Childrens)
- *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker (Fiction)
- *Every Day in the U.S.A.: 30 Black Moments* by Anika Nailah (Nonfiction)
- *Harbor Me* by Jacqueline Woodson (Young Adult Fiction)
- *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas (Adult Fiction)
- *How to Be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi (Nonfiction)
- *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou (Nonfiction)
- *Just Mercy: a Story of Justice and Redemption* by Bryan Stevenson (Nonfiction)
- *Such a Fun Age* by Kiley Reid (Fiction)
- *The Fire Next Time* by James Baldwin (Nonfiction)
- *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston (Fiction)
- *The Underground Railroad* by Colin Whitehead (Fiction)
- *Why I'm No Longer Talking to White People about Race* by Reni-Eddo Lodge (Nonfiction)
- *White Teeth* by Zadie Smith (Fiction)

*Please check our new book shelves over the summer for more new titles on this subject



PATRON'S CHOICE

Patrons have recommended these titles from the Lyme Public Library Collection:

Last Day by Luanne Rice

A murder mystery set on the shore and inspired by a real-life case in Niantic. This is Rice's first mystery, but her usual themes of love, loss, sisters, family, and friendship remain.



The Splendid and the Vile: A Saga of Churchill, Family, and Defiance during the Blitz by Erik Larson

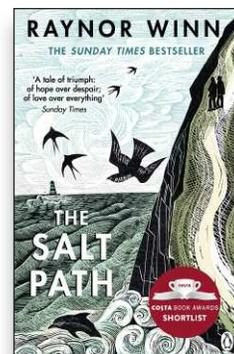
A chronicle of Winston Churchill's first year as Prime Minister of England in which he taught the British people the “art of being fearless” during England's darkest year of WWII.



The Salt Path by Raynor Winn

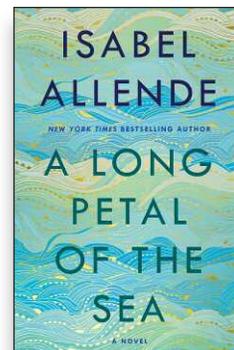
“Just days after Raynor Winn learns that Moth, her husband of thirty-two years, is terminally ill, their house and farm are taken away, along with their livelihood. With nothing left and little time, they make the brave and impulsive decision to walk the 630 miles of the sea-swept South West Coast Path, from Somerset to Dorset, through Devon and Cornwall...”

The Salt Path is ultimately a portrayal of home — how it can be lost, rebuilt, and rediscovered in the most unexpected ways.” — from Amazon.com



A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabelle Allende

As Spain descends into Civil War in the 1930s, two Spaniards escape into exile in Chile aboard the S.S. *Winnipeg*. As they live in exile and Europe descends into WWII, they await the day they can return home.



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LIBRARY HOURS

Sunday & Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10 am to 8 pm

Wednesday: 10 am to 5 pm

Thursday: 10 am to 8 pm

Friday: 10 am to 5 pm

Saturday: 10 am to 4 pm

DATES TO REMEMBER

Independence Day, July 4: Library Closed

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(Virtual Meetings)

Summer Reading, Abstract Story Self-Portrait:

Aug. 4 (tentative)

Summer Reading, Illustrated Silhouette:

Aug. 18 (tentative)

Art & Books: Sept. 8 at 3:15 (tentative)

Library Book Club: Sept. 10 (tentative)

Reading Group: Sept. 11 and 25 (tentative)

Toying with Science: Sept. 15, 3:15 P.M. (tentative)