



NEWSLETTER OF THE LYME PUBLIC LIBRARY

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LIBRARY NEWS

MOVIES AT THE LYME LIBRARY

The art of moving pictures has been life-changing for me. As the images settle into my brain, they gradually define how I see my emotional and physical environment. The art of movie-making encompasses all the other arts: literature, poetry, painting, sculpture, architecture, theatre, dance and music. So, I am delighted to tell you about the movie-related events coming up at the Lyme Library.

It is an honor to host the movie series of Academy Award-winning screenwriter Janet Roach. Last year, her *Around the World in 8 Movies* film series was remarkable for its depth of programming. This year, her *Twice Told Tales* series offers pairs of wonderful movies based on the same script or screenplay. We also hold a potluck dinner after the second movie, where we eat together and talk about movies. (And don't miss Janet's *Sundays at the Movies* series in January.)

On January 7th, we will host the premiere of the annual *Dominick Dunne Cinema Celebration* in honor of our generous patron and late resident of Lyme. This event will be hosted by Dominick's son, film actor and producer Griffin Dunne, where he will be interviewed by author Luanne Rice. Griffin is the New York Times bestselling author of *The Friday Afternoon Club*. Check out our website for more information: LymePL.org

Mark your Calendars

The Lyme Library will host Colum McCann, bestselling author of *Let the Great World Spin*, for a reading on Saturday, November 2nd at 2:00pm. Mr. McCann will be speaking about his published works as well as his newest book. This is a "don't-want-to-miss" moment!

A Lyme Library thank-you

The Lyme Library staff and Board of Directors sincerely thank Judith Ulrich, who has retired from the Board and moved out of the area. Judith served as Board Chair and was avid supporter of the Lyme Library. We will miss her kind spirit and infectious laugh and hope she comes back to visit!

See you at the Library!
Melissa Fournier, Library Director

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

For more information, call 860-434-2272, or visit lymepl.org. To register for any program, e-mail programreg@lymepl.org and include your name, contact information and the name of the program.

Preschool Storytime: Wednesdays, 10:30am

Children ages 2 to 5, along with their parents or caregivers are invited to a story time, sing-along and craft project. Each week Ms. Natalie will focus on a new theme for the stories, songs and creative activities.

Shell & Bee Studio Art Class Series-After-School Art: Tuesdays, October 1, November 5, December 3, 4:00 - 5:00pm

Join Ms. Chelbi of Shell & Bee Studio as she leads a fun and creative after-school art class for elementary school students in grades 1 - 5.

Saturday Family Story Time at the Eight Mile River: Saturday, October 5, 10:30am

Join Ms. Natalie for a river-themed story time at the Pleasant Valley Preserve (the swimming hole) with parking on Macintosh Road. Listen to stories while appreciating nature. After the stories, participate in a colorful nature scavenger hunt! Perfect weekend activity for families—all ages are welcome.

Children's Nature Journaling with Ann Courcy of the Steward Outdoor Day School: October 15, 4:00pm

Join Ann Courcy, a master naturalist, for a hands-on nature journal activity, and discover how the Steward Outdoor Day School integrates nature into learning.

Cool-ology Wonder Tots - Halloween S.T.E.A.M.: Saturday, October 19, 11:00am

For children ages 3-6. Cool-ology® Wonder Tots and S.T.E.A.M. provides hands-on, inquiry-based learning experiences aimed at getting kids really excited about science, engineering, STEAM connections, and the world around them!

Children's Dia de los Muertos Celebration & Dance Workshop: November 2, 10:20am

Join us to celebrate and learn about this beautiful holiday by participating in a Mexican Folkloric Dance Workshop with Tere Luna. We will be painting sugar skull piggy banks in the Children's Room. Children of all ages and their families are welcome.

Cool-ology Wonder Tots - Dinosaurs Rock: Saturday, November 16, 11:00am

For children ages 3-6. S.T.E.A.M. Embark on a prehistoric adventure where you'll journey back to the age of dinosaurs. In this engaging one-hour class, children will uncover fascinating facts through interactive activities and hands-on learning.

Cool-ology Wonder Tots - Lego S.T.E.A.M. Builders: Saturday, December 21, 11:00am

For ages 3-6. Our LEGO Builders' Hour promises a fun-filled session where preschoolers can develop creativity, fine motor skills, and spatial awareness through the joy of building with LEGO bricks. Get ready to build, create, and discover with us!

ADULT PROGRAMS

To register for any program listed below, email programreg@lymepl.org or call 860-434-2272.

Art Exhibit by Jac Lahav: September 1– November 1

The paintings of Jac Lahav are currently on display in the Lyme Library Community Room. These works focus on Mr. Lahav's experience as a foster parent.

The Sweet Spot: Tuesdays, October 1, November 5, December 3, 10:30AM

Join your friends and family at the Library's monthly café. Free refreshments are provided (donations are always welcome). Make new friends and learn more about the Library in an informal setting.

Lyme Library Trivia Club Night: October 2, November 6, and December 11: 7:00pm

Joining the Lyme Library Trivia Club is a terrific way to increase your knowledge of esoteric facts, and bragging rights. It's an easy way to reconnect with family, old friends and make new friends.

Killing Grace: A Vietnam War Mystery with author Peter Prichard: Thursday, October 3, 6:00pm

Author Peter Prichard will speak about his new book *Killing Grace*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

The Lyme Library Chess Club: October 3, November 7, December 5, 7:00pm

Meetings take place on the first Thursday of the month. If you want to learn how to play, or if you are looking for advanced players to play chess with, the Lyme Library Chess Club welcomes all levels. Chess boards are supplied by the Library.

One-on-One Tech Support: Wednesdays, October 5, November 13, 4:00pm – 5:00pm (with Emily Lewis). Saturdays, October 9, November 9, December 14 (with Sue Latourette).

Having difficulties with your technical devices? Sign-up for one of our one-on-one tech support sessions. Bring your chargers, plugs and passwords so that Emily or Sue can help you get past your technological hurdle.

Twice Told Tales Film Series with Janet Roach: Thursdays October 10 & 24, November 7 & 21, December 5, 5:00pm

Hosted by Lyme's own Academy Award-winning screen writer Janet Roach, this new movie series will explore two different films that are based on the same plot and screenplay but are created by different directors and casts. After every second movie, we'll have a potluck dinner, giving us a chance to discuss the films. The film series is Popcorn and refreshments will be served. To register, email programreg@lymepl.org

- **October 10: *Silk Stockings* (1957)** Directed by Rouben Mamoulian, with Cyd Charisse and Fred Astaire.

- **October 24: *Ikiru* (1952)** Directed by Akira Kuosawa, starring Takashi Shimura.
- **November 7: *Living* (2022)** Directed by Oliver Hemanus, starring Bill Nighy.
- **November 21: *Night and Day* (1946)** Directed by Michael Curtiz, starring Cary Grant and Alexis Smith.
- **December 5: *De-Lovely* (2004)** Directed by Irwin Winkler, starring Kevin Kline and Ashley Judd.

Yoga at the Library with Joan Fisler of Red Barn Yoga: Fridays, October 11 & 25, November 1 & 22, December 20, 11:15am

Joan Fisler of Red Barn Yoga of Lyme conducts yoga and meditation classes at the Library. No previous experience with yoga is necessary. If you have a yoga mat, please bring it along as the Library has only a limited supply. Each participant pays a \$10.00 fee to the instructor. This is a great way to relax and de-stress.

Lyme Library Cookbook Club: Saturdays, October 12, December 11, 1:00pm

This tasty book club uses recipes based on a particular theme or cookbook to create dishes to share with the rest of the group. This is a great way to share your skills or build your culinary expertise.

Racial Equity Book Club (via Zoom): Tuesdays, October 15, November 12, December 10, 5:30pm

To investigate how race, racism and white supremacy impact our lives and our culture, the Racial Equity Book Club meets once a month via Zoom to discuss books, films, and poetry on race in America. This group's meetings offer an open door to a respectful dialogue about systemic racism and its impact on society and the future. To register for these meetings and to receive the Zoom meeting invitation email programreg@lymepl.org

As the Page Turns Lyme Library & Lymes' Senior Center Book Club: Fridays, October 18, November 15, December 20, 1:00pm

The book selection may be checked out at the Circulation desk.

Lyme Volunteer Fair: Sunday October 20, 2:00 – 4:00pm

Come find out about the wealth of volunteer opportunities available in Lyme!

Stitch Craft Club: Saturdays, October 26, November 23, December 28, 12:20 – 2:00pm

If you enjoy doing easily portable handcrafts, come in to practice and share your skills with other like-minded "stitchcrafters."

American Mah Jongg Club: Tuesdays, October 29, November 26, December 31, 6:00-8:00pm

Meeting on the last Tuesday of the month, the Library's American Mah Jongg club offers participants a chance to improve their playing skills. If you have your own set of American Mah Jongg tiles, please bring them along. If not, the library has two sets available for you to use.

NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY'S COLLECTION

For more new reading choices, check out the Staff Pick shelf in the Library's new book area or use the scrolling carousels on our catalog homepage: lym.agverso.com.

Fright Night at the Lyme Public Library: Thursday, October 31, 6:00pm

Panel Discussion, Reading and Q & A with the Horror Writers of CT and Film Screening of *Sweet, Sweet, Lonely Girl* by local Film Director A.D. Calvo. Refreshments will be served.

Art Exhibit by Jane Critchet: November 1 – January 1 in the Lyme Library Community Room.

Author Reading with Colum McCann: Saturday, November 2, 2:00pm

The Lyme Library will host the author Colum McCann to speak about his writing and his work with Narrative 4. Mr. McCann is an internationally recognized author whose work has been published in over 40 languages. His books include the winner of the National Book Award *Let the Great World Spin*, *TransAtlantic*, and three collections of short stories, including *Thirteen Ways of Looking at Things*. His newest work, *Twist*, will be released in 2025. Mr. McCann's books will be available for purchase and signing.

Navigating Social Security and Medicare with the American Financial Education Alliance: Thursday, November 14, 6:00pm

A great opportunity to ask about the Social Security and Medicare services you might be eligible for.

Play With Your Cat! Q & A with Animal Behaviorist Dr. Mikel Delgado (via Zoom): Thursday, November 14, 6:00pm

Known nation-wide for her work with Jackson Galaxy of television's *My Cat from Hell*, Dr. Delgado, a renowned Applied Animal Behaviorist, is a Certified Cat Behavior Consultant with a PhD. in animal behavior and cognition from UC Berkley. Talk with an expert about all your cat questions. To receive the Zoom invitation, email programreg@lymepl.org

Country House Living: Celebrating Life at Home with Nora Murphy: Tuesday, November 26, 6:00pm

Local interior designer and author Nora Murphy will appear to speak about her new book *Country House Living*. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Cake Decorating Demonstration with Barbara Guadio: Tuesday, December 10, 6:00

Learn from an expert the techniques needed to create a professional looking cake. This program is not a hands-on workshop, but you will learn skills to use at home that will improve your cake decorating talents. Limit to 20 participants.

A Butler's Life with Christopher Allen: Thursday, December 12, 6:00pm

Former butler and author of *A Butler's Life: Scenes from the Other Side of the Silver Salver*, Christopher Allen comes to the Lyme Library to share stories of his real-life duties when he was in service and offer a contemporary peek into this fascinating, yet demanding profession.

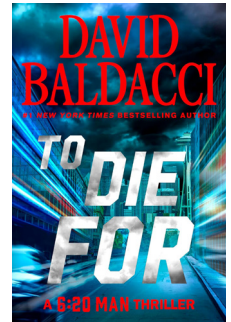
One Big Happy Family by Susan Mallery (October release)

A fun, joyous and irresistible story of a widowed mother, whose devoted love for her adult kids can't quite overcome her sneaky desire to have the NOT come home this Christmas.



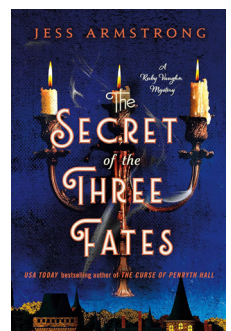
To Die For by David Baldacci (November release)

The 6:20 Man, Travis Devine, returns to aid the FBI in a complicated case in the Pacific Northwest. Filled with intrigue and danger, the latest by David Baldacci is sure to please readers looking for a complex and engaging mystery story.



Secret of the Three Fates by Jess Armstrong (December release)

Book 2 in the Ruby Vaughn series, *Secret of the Three Fates*, is a gothic, supernatural mystery book, sure to make even the most skeptical among us believe in witches and curses.



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Wednesday: 10am to 5pm
Thursday: 10am to 8pm
Friday: 10am to 5pm
Saturday: 10am to 4pm




**October 12, November 9, 28, and 29; December 2, 25, and 31;
January 1**

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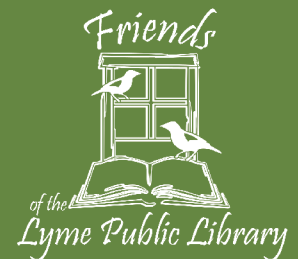
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