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News & Events for April 2018



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Jon has performed with acts such as Changes in Latitudes, The Sweet Remains, Hard Rock Café Ambassador of Rock winners Jackson Wetherbee Band, Barefoot Truth, Stephen Kellogg, John Frinzi, Rick Monroe and the ska band T.I.P.

In his touring career, Jon has opened for many national acts including country stars Granger Smith and Clare Dunn, O.A.R., Matt Nathanson, Reel Big Fish, Mighty Mighty Bosstones, Gin Blossoms, Collective Soul, Guster, Sully Erna of Godsmack, Corey Taylor of Slipknot, Shinedown, Staind and Aaron Lewis.

April Library Hours

The Library will be closed Sunday, April 1st for Easter, and Sunday, April 15 and Monday, April 16 for Patriot's Day. The Library's regular hours are Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Sunday, 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.



April Programs

Programs for Children and Teens

Mondays

Move Along. 10:30 a.m. For ages 0 – 5 years

This thirty minute program features music, movement, stories, instruments, and other interactive activities to encourage social skills and promote early literacy! Parents and caregivers are welcome and encouraged to participate. No registration is required.

Toddler Playgroup. 11:00 a.m.

Monday Crafternoons. 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Join us in the Children's Room every Monday afternoon for a drop-in craft session! Be sure to bring your creativity!

Tuesdays

Get Ready for Kindergarten. 10:30 a.m. For ages 3 – 5.

This 45 minute program featuring stories, songs, activities, and crafts will help prepare your children for preschool and kindergarten. Parents and caregivers can attend with their child if they wish. No registration is required.

Toddler Playgroup. 11:15 a.m.

Wednesdays

Terrific Toddlers. 10:30 a.m. For ages 18 months to 3 years.

Enjoy thirty minutes of interactive stories, songs, and activities for families and children from birth to age 3. No registration is required.

Toddler Playgroup. 11:00 a.m.

Construction Junction. 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Every Wednesday afternoon we'll hang out and build all sorts of things using all our favorite building toys from Legos to Lincoln Logs!

Thursdays

Baby Tummy Time! 9:30 a.m. (For pre-walkers ages 0-18 months)

Babies and caregivers: join us each Thursday morning for Tummy Time! Nurture your baby's development with gentle music, movement, and sensory play at the library! Please bring a small blanket or towel for your baby's comfort!

Story and Craft. 10:30 a.m. For ages 3—6 years of age.

Stories, activities, and a craft for children ages 3, 4, 5, and 6 who are able to attend "on their own." This program lasts around 45 minutes. No registration is required.

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Special Programs

Family Yoga Adventure! Saturday, April 7th, 9:30 a.m.

Put on some comfy clothes, grab the whole family and your yoga mats and join us in the program room for our Family Yoga Adventure!

We'll follow along with a fabulous story, doing different moves to keep the story going!

Baby Sensory! Saturday, April 7th, 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a 45 minute baby sensory program! Watch your little one interact and engage with a variety of sensory items! Sensory play is a fantastic way to help babies explore their worlds, stimulate the senses, and create little inquisitive explorers! Babies under 2 are welcome and encouraged! (Got older siblings? They can bring along a stuffed toy or baby and play along!)

Discovery Workshop: Eric Carle's Art! Thursday, April 12th, 3:30 -4:40 p.m.

Kids K-4th grade! Join our special guest Ms. Marsha for an hour of exploring! This month we'll learn about Eric Carle's art!

April Vacation at the Library!

Creature Teachers, Tuesday April 17th, 10:30 a.m.

Minute to Win it! Tuesday April 17th, 1:00 p.m.

We're hosting our very own minute to Win It competition! Join us for a series of fun, crazy contests for the whole family! Do you have what it takes to win?

Whalemobile! Wednesday, April 18th, 10:30 a.m.

Have you ever wanted to get up close and personal with a humpback whale? Here is an amazing opportunity! Explore the life-size replica of a real whale, and learn all about efforts to protect these incredible animals!

Storytime Fiesta! Wednesday, April 18th, 1:00 p.m.

Join the members of the High School's Spanish Honor Society as they lead a bilingual storytime featuring songs, stories, snacks, and crafts celebrating latin language and culture!

Stuffed Animal Sleepover! Wednesday, April 18th, 6:00 p.m.

What kind of trouble can a bunch of stuffed animals cause in an empty library? Here's our chance to find out! Bring one of your favorite stuffed friends to the library for a cozy storytime, then leave them in our care for the evening! When you pick your friend up on Thursday, see what antics they might have caused!

Mr. Vinny's Shadow Puppet Show, Thursday April 19th, 10:30 a.m.

Mr. Vinny from the Toe Jam Puppet Band presents a dynamic and hilarious family show! Mr. Vinny specializes in storytelling with unique puppets! Get ready for lots of jokes and audience participation, and a few fun surprises!

Sign Language Storytime! Thursday April 19th, 1:00 p.m.

Join our group of talented high school volunteers as they lead us in a special Sign Language Storytime!

Animal Affair, Friday April 20, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Make some new furry or feathered friends when the Animal Affair Traveling Petting Zoo visits the Franklin Public Library! Everyone is welcome to pet, brush, feed, hold, and play with the animals! Participants



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are taught the proper way to hold and handle the animals. Animal Affair will be bringing ducks, chickens, goats, pigs and rabbits! No registration is required.

Baby-wearing Dance Party! Saturday, April 21st, 9:30 a.m.

Strap your little one in and join us for music and movement together! Bond with your baby in a fun, active way for this half-hour program!

Earth Day Planting Event! Saturday, April 21st, 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate Earth Day weekend by helping us plant flowers! More details to come!

Parent Discussion Group, Wednesday, April 25th, 7:00 p.m.

Parents and caregivers of children of any age are welcome to join in on a series of engaging conversations centered on different topics that today's parents and kids face. This group is designed for grownups only, to share concerns, ideas, and come together over shared interest in raising vibrant, kind, successful kids! This month's topic: activism, and raising passionate kids who use their voice to make a difference!

ArtWeek Event! 1000 Cranes for Franklin Storytime kickoff!

Saturday, April 28th, 10:30 a.m.

Join us during ArtWeek 2018 as we fold 1000 paper cranes as a community! We'll have a kickoff storytime on April 28th to describe the tradition of crane folding, and then we will spend the next week folding cranes and writing our wishes for the Franklin community on each crane!

Teen Programs

YA Dystopian Book Club, Wednesday April 4th, 6:30 p.m.

Teens under 18, join us on the first Wednesday of the month to discuss a different YA Dystopian novel! This month's pick is *Otherworld* by Jason Segel! Pick up a copy from the display in the Teen Room!

Teen Book Brunch! Saturday April 7th, 12:00 p.m.

Teens are welcome to join us for breakfast food and a conversation about your favorite reads! Share what books you're loving lately, and get great book recommendations from others! This is a low key (and delicious) way to find your next favorite book or series!

Mug Meals! Wednesday, April 11th, 5:30 p.m. (right before TAB!)

Bring your own mugs and learn how to make quick, yummy meals in minutes! We've been drooling over some of those tasty videos for ages, and we're so excited to try them out together! Be sure to stay afterwards for Teen Advisory Board!

Teen Advisory Board, Wednesday, April 11th, 6:30 p.m.

Join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month for Teen Advisory Board! The Teen Advisory Board is a GREAT opportunity to get involved here at the library! You'll help plan events and programs, create displays and decorate the teen space, and help drive decisions around the kinds of materials we bring to the YA collection, from books and beyond, all while eating snacks and getting volunteer hours! It's a win-win-win!

Adult Programs

Solar Information Workshop, Tuesday, April 3, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Representatives from Boston Solar will provide information about the benefits of going solar. They will cover topics such as solar technology and

the chemistry of how panels work to produce energy for your home/business, overview of federal and state incentives (money in your pocket for going solar!), solar financing, and many other informative and fun discussions. They will also touch on how to earn money from referrals once you have already gone solar. A solar panel will be available for everyone to see and touch, as well as some "solar trivia". We will also have a solar coloring page for kids, as this is definitely an event where families are encouraged to come and learn.

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Chess Group, Sundays, April 8 & 22, 2:00 p.m.

Have you ever thought about getting together and playing some chess? If so, come to the Franklin Public and join the Chess Group for some chess, laughs and fun. An understanding of how to play is all that is needed. Free and open to all.

Knitting Group, Fridays, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Love to knit or crochet? Join our new group of fiber artists who will be meeting in the Friends of the Franklin Community Room on Fridays 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Genealogy Club, Thursday, April 26, 6:30 p.m.

Learn to 'read' the cemetery for clues and information with the Gravestone Girls.

Library Book Sale - Buck A Book!

Saturday, April 21, from 9 - 3.

Bag Sale - \$5 A Bag—Sunday, April 22, from 9-12. Come fill a brown bag with all the books you can! Bags will be provided.

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