

# **The Nesmith NEWS**

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## **Book Bites – 100 Reviews!**

Chelsea Page, Social Media / Digital Literacy Librarian

As of August 31, our Book Bites series will be at 100 posts! Book Bites are brief book reviews and recommendations from Nesmith Library staff, and occasionally local school librarians and patrons, shared each week on Wednesdays on our Facebook and Instagram pages. Here are a few highlights, and please follow us to see our 100<sup>th</sup> Book Bite and more reviews each week!



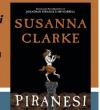




"Perhaps even people you like and admire immensely can make you see the World in ways you would rather not."

Nesmith Staff Reviews:
"I'm in awe at how
smoothly it all unraveled"
"I love the voice of
Piranesi...! was almost
disappointed for him

Piranesi by Susanna Clarke



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## BOOK BITES









"Memories, even your most precious ones, fade surprisingly quickly. But I don't go along with that. The memories I value most, I don't ever see them fading."

Teen Book Review: Olivia C "Ishiguro's poignant writing never once lost my attention; there are so many layers to the characters, events, and theme, and readers are left wondering about ethics, mortality, and friendship."

**Me Go** by Kazuo Ishiguro

**Never Let** 

"You can't see the future coming—not the terrors, for sure, but you also can't see the wonders that are coming, the moments of light-soaked joy that await each of us."

Nesmith Staff Book Reviews:

"I really enjoyed the
quick cleverness and
depth of these reviews

quick cleverness and depth of these reviews (essays), executed without sacrificing authentic connection."



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## **August Adult Programming**

Maria Schroeter, Adult Collection Development / Adult Programming Librarian

Summer Reading is almost over, but there is still time to enter the raffles. Keep reading to earn tickets! We'll draw winners on Monday, August 15.

#### **New Releases**

We've got some great new titles coming out this month: Daisy Darker, the latest from Alice Feeney, the best-selling author of Rock, Paper, Scissors, will be out on August 30. Taylor Jenkins Reid follows up last year's hit, Malibu Rising, with the story of that novel's character, Carrie Soto, in Carrie Soto is Back on August 30. On August 16 from Roselle Lim, author of the delightful novel, Natalie Tan's Book of Luck and Fortune, comes Sophie Go's Lonely Hearts Club. All of these are already listed in our catalog and ready for you to put on hold. If you need help putting an item on hold, just give us a call and we can walk you through it or do it for you.

#### **Library Book Group**

The Nesmith Library Book Group will meet in person on Wednesday, August 10 at 6:00 p.m. This month we've been reading *The Music of Bees* by Eileen Garvin. If you didn't have a chance to read the book, no worries! Come to the meeting and start with our next book (title to be revealed shortly!) and mark your calendar. We typically meet every second Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. In

order to participate, you must have a Nesmith Library card or a card from one of the libraries in our consortium, you need to be over age 16, and you must register.

#### Common Seabirds Along the New Hampshire Seacoast



Can't tell a plover from a sandpiper? Join us in person on Thursday, August 4 at 6:00 p.m. when Dick Lutz, a marine docent from UNH's SeaSpeak program, presents "Common Seabirds Along the New Hampshire Seacoast." We'll learn to identify local birds from the coast, the marsh, and the sea, and discover some of their unique characteristics.

SeaSpeaks are lecture-type programs with topics that appeal to adult audiences. Using an engaging storytelling format, UNH marine docents share their expertise, experience, and knowledge. For more information, visit their website at <a href="https://seagrant.unh.edu">https://seagrant.unh.edu</a>.

#### **Trivia Night**

On Thursday, August 11 at 6:00 p.m. we will celebrate the end of Adult Summer Reading with a trivia night! Grab your



friends and form a team, or come on your own and join up with other players. Pizza, beverages, and dessert will be provided! This popular program has limited capacity, so register early!

#### **New Hampshire Eats Local**



August is New Hampshire Eats Local Month, a month-long celebration of local food and New Hampshire farmers and food producers, and on Thursday, August 25 at 7:00 p.m. to help promote this important initiative, we've partnered with the

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New Hampshire Food Alliance, and other GMILCS libraries, to bring you a virtual presentation about eating local. This Zoom program will explore how local food choices support thriving businesses, healthy communities, and vibrant working landscapes. Registration and further details to follow.

The New Hampshire Food Alliance is a statewide network that connects the people, business, organizations, and communities dedicated to growing a thriving, fair, and sustainable local food system in the Granite State. Together they build relationships, learn from each other, and catalyze collaboration to advance our common goals, respond creatively to challenges, and amplify their collective impact. Visit their website at www.nhfoodalliance.org.

Adult programs are for ages 16 and up (unless otherwise

noted), and registration is required. To register for these programs, please visit our Events Calendar at <a href="https://nesmithlibrary.org/calendar/month">https://nesmithlibrary.org/calendar/month</a>.

For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact Maria at <a href="mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org">mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org</a> or call the library at 603-432-7154.

## **August Events for Teens**

Molly Pevna, Youth/Teen Services Librarian

As we near the end of Summer Reading, a mystery is afoot. A murder mystery dinner, that is! Teens in grades 7-12 can register to join us for our annual **Teen Murder Mystery Dinner**, Tuesday, August 9, 6:30 p.m. which is also our End of Summer Reading event for teens. Register on our website, then email Molly <a href="mailto:mpevna@nesmith">mpevna@nesmith</a> library.org by August 6 with any dietary restrictions!



August is also when we will host our **Windham High** 

School Ninth Grade Book
Discussions for incoming
freshmen, who want to be fully
prepared for the start of the
school year and their summer
reading assignments. There will
be four discussion group events,
please register on our website
for the one you wish to attend:

• Scythe by Neal Shusterman, Tuesday, Aug. 16, 6:30 p.m.



- Tuesdays With Morrie by Mitch Albom, Wednesday, August 17, 4:00 p.m.
- I Must Betray You by Ruta

Sepetys, Tuesday, August 23, 6:30 p.m.



 A Very Large Expanse of Sea by Tahereh Mafi, Wednesday, August 24, 4:00 p.m.

Please visit our website Event Calendar to register for these programs and to see upcoming events as they are posted. Questions about any of our programs or teen services in general? Please email teen services librarian Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

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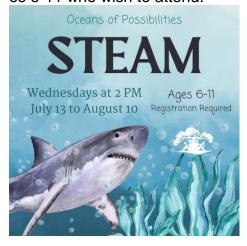
### From the Children's Room

Molly Pevna

On Mondays, August 1 and 8, visit us for each week's ocean themed craft on **Make It Mondays!** Stop by and pick up a kit to take home, or stay and make your craft with us.



Don't miss our final **STEAM: Oceans of Possibilities** events for the summer on Wednesdays, August 3 and 10, 2:00 p.m. Register on our website Event Calendar for children ages 6-11 who wish to attend.



Our final thrilling Thursday event of the summer will be with **Magic by Fred**, Thursday, August 4, 10:30 a.m. for children of all ages, with caregiver! This event is open to all, and we hope to see you there! Please consider carpooling or dropping off and picking up, as our parking may become limited during the event.



The **Book Bazaar** is open in the Children's Room as of Monday, August 1! Children who are registered for our Summer Reading Program can visit to pick out one book to keep from the prize wall behind the Children's Desk (ask at the front

desk for help if no staff are in the Children's Room when you visit us). This benefit opened up because our children's Summer Reading participants reached 75,000 minutes read altogether! How much higher can we make that total by the End of Summer Reading Wrap Party with McDonny's Petting Farm, Thursday, August 11, 10:30 a m 2 We hope to see you all

Thursday, August 11, 10:30 a.m.? We hope to see you all there. This event is open to children of all ages with caregiver.



Questions about any of our programs or Youth Services in general? Please email Youth Services Librarian Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

## **Back to School Storytime**

Molly Pevna

Children preparing to go to school are invited to participate in Back to School Storytime at Nesmith Library! We will dance, read stories, and meet special guests from Windham schools including a bus driver, who will bring a real school bus, and Superintendent Dr. Kori Alice Becht! We hope children and their caregivers will join us on Thursday, August 18, 10:30 a.m. for this very special storytime. No registration required.

Questions? Please call Nesmith Library Youth Services (603-432-7154) or email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.



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## **Limited Parking on Thursdays**

Parking will be extremely limited for the remaining Thursday mornings of Summer Reading. We are hosting some performers for big events for children and our parking lot will be packed full of attendees, presenters, and staff vehicles. Consider carpooling or getting dropped off when attending an event. If you are a regular library user, you may wish to avoid these limited parking times.

Most events will wrap up around noon, but 10:30-11:30 a.m. could be chaotic on Thursdays!



## **Dates to Remember**

- 8/1 Make It Mondays: Children's Craft, 9:00 a.m.; Library Board of Trustees, 6:30 p.m.
- 8/3 STEAM: Oceans of Possibilities, 2:00 p.m.
- 8/4 Magic by Fred, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Common Seabirds Along the New Hampshire Seacoast, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 8/8 Make It Mondays: Children's Craft,

- 9:00 a.m.
- 8/9 Teen Murder Mystery Party, 6:30 p.m.
- 8/10 STEAM: Oceans of Possibilities, 2:00 p.m.; Library Book Group, 6:00 p.m.
- 8/11 Children's Summer Reading Wrap Party, 10:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; Adult Summer Reading Wrap Party, 6:00 p.m.
- 8/16 Windham High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m.

- 8/17 Windham High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion, 4:00 p.m.
- 8/18 Back to School Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.
- 8/23 Windham High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion, 6:30 p.m.
- 8/24 Windham High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Discussion, 4:00 p.m.
- 8/25 N.H. Eats Local (Zoom), 7:00 p.m.

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#### **Service Hours**

Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

> Sunday 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Nesmith Library will be closed Sunday, September 4 and Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.



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