



# The Nesmith NEWS

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## OPEN BROWSING HOURS RETURN!



Nesmith Library  
Windham, New Hampshire

Enter the library building for brief visits of thirty (30) minutes or less, to browse and checkout materials, make copies, and ask questions!



### CURBSIDE CONTINUES

If you prefer curbside pickup for your holds and program kits, we are happy to provide curbside service! Call us when you arrive: 603-432-7154

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### COMPUTER APPOINTMENTS

Schedule over the phone, 1 hour per day. Masks required.

### DIGITAL RESOURCES, READING, AND VIRTUAL PROGRAMS CONTINUE!

Visit our website for digital resources and our Event Calendar for programs!



## March Adult Programming

Maria Schroeter,  
Adult Collection Development and  
Adult Programming Librarian

Spring is coming! Spring is coming! That's what I keep telling myself this month. And yes, March is typically snowy and cold, but with longer days and the actual first day of spring, it's enough to keep me happy.

### Nesmith Library Book Group

Virtual programming will continue, including our Nesmith Library Book Group. This month we'll meet virtually on Wednesday, March 10 at 6:30 p.m. Early that week, I'll be sending out an email with the link to our Zoom room. This month we've been reading *The Stationery Shop* by Marjan Kamali. 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. 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 the age of 16, and you must register. Email me at [mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org) or call me at the library to register.

### Scattergories on Facebook



Scattergories on Facebook will continue! On the first Monday of every month we'll be posting games at noon. Respond in the

comments and see how creative you can be with your answers! Our previous games have yielded some very imaginative responses from some very smart players. On March 1, go to Facebook and search for Nesmith Library (@nesmithlibrary) and remember to "like" our page while you're there!

### Tales of the 10<sup>th</sup>: The Mountain Troops and American Skiing



Did you know that a US Army division was instrumental in the growth of American skiing? Join us virtually on Thursday, March 11 at 6:00 p.m. when Jeff Leich, of the New England Ski Museum, tells us their story. On November 15, 1941, the first unit of what would become the 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain Division was activated. The 10<sup>th</sup> Mountain was a unique American military unit that recruited and trained skiers and mountaineers to operate in mountain and winter warfare. Two winters of training in the high mountains of Colorado tested the stamina of its soldiers, and prepared them for combat in the Apennine Mountains of Italy. There, the 10<sup>th</sup> compiled a distinguished war record despite heavy casualties. After the war, many veterans of the cohesive unit guided and enhanced the growth of American skiing and outdoor recreation: Vail and A-Basin in Colorado; Crystal Moun-

tain, Washington; Mount Bachelor, Oregon; Nike; the Sierra Club; and the National Outdoor Leadership School all were founded or influenced by veterans of the mountain troops.

Jeff Leich is Executive Director of New England Ski Museum in Franconia and North Conway, New Hampshire. He produces the annual exhibits that the museum creates, and the quarterly *Journal of the New England Ski Museum*, which publishes the content of those exhibits for museum members and visitors. Leich and his wife live in North Conway. They have two adult children, both of whom are far better skiers than their parents.

This online Zoom program is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Register online by visiting [www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

### Seed Starting



With spring right around the corner, there is no better time to start vegetable seeds! Register on our website, then visit us on Tuesday, March 16 to pick up a seed-starting kit, which includes seeds, pots, and soil. And you won't want to miss the accompanying virtual

## March Adult Programming (Continued)

presentation! Seed Starting, a UNH Extension garden program, will be held virtually on Thursday, March 18, 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. Register using the form on our website's event calendar to reserve a seed starting kit, and then the Zoom meeting link for the March 18 virtual presentation will be emailed to you the week of the program. If you would like to attend the virtual presentation without picking up a supply kit, please email Adult Programming Librarian Maria at [mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org) to request the Zoom meeting link.

During the Seed Starting virtual program, Master Gardener Ron Trexler will guide us through the process of starting seeds indoors. Ron will cover the pros and cons of starting seeds, how to get started, best practices for moisture, fertilization, light and temperature needs, what to grow and how to plan, different types of potting soil, seedling problems, and hardening off your plants. He will also be answering your questions. Ron Trexler has been a Master Gardener and a member of the Speakers Bureau for a number of years. He is also instrumental in assisting with each new class of Master Gardeners that are taught twice yearly.

This two-part program (pick-up kit and virtual program) is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. One seed starting kit per household, and supplies are limited. Register online by visiting [www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar). Registration closes on Friday, March 12.

### Architectural World Tour



Have the itch to travel? Want to see some amazing architecture? Then join us virtually on Thursday, March 25 at 6:00 p.m., when educational entertainer Martina Mathisen takes us around the globe to discover the fantastic super structures that have amazed the world. Of the 100 super structures that

stand on our planet today, the first 50 took 80 years in total to build. The second 50 have taken just five years! What is happening in architecture today is breathtaking, and just because the pandemic has severely restricted travel, doesn't mean that we have to miss out! Avoid airports, crowds, waiting lists, and standing room only status, and take an architectural tour of the world with us from the comfort of your home. For a sneak preview, check out Martina's video: <https://youtu.be/rCfbcu0qJiA>.

Martina Mathisen is an educational entertainer and an award-winning speaker from Illinois, who has performed at hundreds of organizations and facilities since 2012. Visit Martina's website for more information: <https://www.martinamathisen.com>.

This virtual program is for ages 16 and up, and registration is required. Register online by visiting [www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar). After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with information about joining the webinar.

For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact our Adult Programming Librarian, Maria, at [mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org), or call the library at 432-7154.

## YA Know It's Going to Be Good

*Molly Pevna,  
Teen/Youth Services Librarian*

It's almost spring, but while we wait, we have some fun things happening! We're celebrating (albeit belatedly) Lunar New Year with our **Teen Takeaway Kits**. They are available for pick up Wednesday, March 3 during curbside hours (10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.) or you can come inside the library during browsing hours

(10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.) to get one. We just ask that everyone wear a mask while inside the building. Later in the month, we have another fun **Tween Foodie Challenge**. Pick up your kit of mystery food that you have to make into something delicious while they last, on Wednesday, March 17, during curbside/browsing hours. We'll also

be having our regular **Teen Advisory Group** meeting on Tuesday, March 2 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Want to learn more about TAG by attending a meeting? Or have other questions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

Please note the ages for teen programs are grades 7-12 and tween programs are grades 4-8.



## Children's Takeaway Crafts and STEAM

Azra Palo,  
Head of Youth Services

### Takeaway Crafts

Get creative with takeaway crafts from the Nesmith Library! Stop by the library all through the spring months to pick up your free craft. No registration required. Call us at 432-7154 when you are at the library, and we will put the craft out for your child. Available every Monday (see website for curbside hours). Supplies are limited. All ages.

**STEAM @ Nesmith Library**  
Pick up your supplies starting

Monday, March 8. Families will work in teams. Join us on Zoom Thursday, March 11 at 4:00 p.m. to share your creations virtually. You do not need to attend the Zoom event in order to complete the STEAM craft. Registration is required. Recommended for ages 5-12 years.

Questions? Email our Head of Youth Services Azra Palo at [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).



## Virtual Storytimes

Azra Palo

### Special Spring Storytime

Friday, March 26  
10:30 a.m.  
All ages. No registration.



Join us for a special Spring Storytime on Facebook Live starting at 10:30 a.m. on our Nesmith Library Facebook page! We will read stories, sing, and maybe dance. No registration required and all ages welcome. Join us in your jammies! Questions? Email Azra Palo [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### April Storytime Kit

Pick Up: Monday, March 29  
Ages 0-5 years  
Registration required.



One storytime kit per family. Please register your family together and note the children's ages, so that we can provide the age appropriate crafts. Kits will include a virtual takeout menu, goodies, a craft for each child, and more!

Register for a storytime kit every month and join us virtually for special crafts, storytimes, and more! Questions? Email Azra Palo [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Toddler Time (Zoom)

Monday, March 8  
10:30 a.m.  
Ages 18 mo-3 yrs. Siblings welcome. Registration required.

Join us for Toddler Time with Miss Chris! We will read stories, sing, and maybe dance. This program is for toddlers ages 18

months to 3 years supervised by an adult caregiver. Toddler Time lasts approximately 20-25 minutes. Questions? Email Ms. Chris at [csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Preschool Storytime (Zoom)

Thursday, March 18  
10:30 a.m.  
Ages 3-5 years  
Registration required.

It's time for a special March storytime! We'll be singing songs and reading books around a special theme! So join us on Thursday, March 18 at 10:30 a.m. via Zoom. Questions? Email Molly at [mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org).

### Baby Storytime (Zoom)

Wednesday March 31  
10:30 a.m.  
Ages 0-18 months. Siblings welcome. Registration required.

Join us for Baby Storytime! We will read stories, sing, and maybe dance. It is a perfect chance to virtually connect with other caregivers. This program is geared towards babies, but all are welcome to join. Questions? Email Azra Palo [apalo@nesmithlibrary.org](mailto:apalo@nesmithlibrary.org).

## FLOW News

Sandy Sun,  
FLOW Publicity

The Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) is currently accepting applications for academic grants from Windham high school seniors. These one-time awards range from \$1000 to \$2000. Two of the awards are for high school seniors in pursuit of a four-year degree at a college or university, and the other is for high school seniors who plan to attend a community college or trade school. Applications are available on FLOW's website, at the Nesmith Library, and on the Windham High School scholarship portal. Return your application to the Windham High School

Guidance Office or the Nesmith Library by the end of the day on Thursday, April 1, 2021.

Become a FLOW member today! Choose from a variety of memberships and payment options, starting at only \$10. Membership dues provide free and reduced-price admission to local museums and attractions with our museum passes, the offering of academic grants, book fairs, Strawberry Festival, enhanced children/teens/adult programming, library enhancements including automatic handicap accessible doors, projection



system, portable sounds system, and much, much more. For further information, go to:

<https://www.flowwindham.org/become-a-member>.

The next Strawberry Festival Planning Committee meeting is on Thursday, March 11 at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/96299304895>. All are welcome.

Keep an eye out for the June book fair at the Nesmith Library. More information to follow.

Also watch for take-home strawberry shortcakes. We will be taking preorders soon.

## Dates to Remember

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| 3/1 Children's Takeaway Craft, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Scattergories on Facebook begins at noon  | Nesmith Library, 4:00 p.m.; Virtual Tales of the 10 <sup>th</sup> : The Mountain Troops and American Skiing, 6:00 p.m.; Virtual Strawberry Festival Planning Committee, 6:30 p.m. | tual Nesmith Knitters, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.; Virtual Seed Starting with Master Gardener Ron Treder, 6:00 p.m.   |
| 3/2 Virtual Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m.   |   | 3/22 Children's Takeaway Craft, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.   |
| 3/3 March Teen Takeaway Kit, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  | 3/15 Children's Takeaway Craft, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Nesmith Library Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m.; Virtual FLOW Board, 6:30 p.m.   | 3/25 Virtual Architectural World Tour, 6:00 p.m.   |
| 3/4 Virtual Nesmith Knitters, 12:30 – 2:30 p.m.  |   | 3/26 Virtual Spring Storytime, 10:30 a.m.  |
| 3/8 Children's Takeaway Craft, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Pick-up for STEAM @ Nesmith Library, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Virtual Toddler Time, 10:30 a.m. | 3/16 Seed Starting Takeaway Kit, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.   | 3/29 Children's Takeaway Craft, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.; April Storytime Takeaway Kit, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/10 Virtual Nesmith Library Book Group, 6:30 p.m.   | 3/17 Tween Foodie Challenge Takeaway Kit, 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  | 3/31 Virtual Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.  |
| 3/11 Virtual STEAM @   | 3/18 Virtual Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Vir-  |  |

## Nesmith Library

8 Fellows Road  
Windham, NH 03087

Phone:  
(603) 432-7154

Website:  
[www.nesmithlibrary.org](http://www.nesmithlibrary.org)

### Phone Hours

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

Fri. 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sat. 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

### Indoor Browsing and Curbside Pickup Hours

Monday – Thursday  
10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Fri. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sat. 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Sunday Closed

