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Indoor Programs Update

Chelsea Paige,
*Social Media / Digital
Literacy Librarian*

We have really enjoyed inviting patrons back into the library for indoor programs, especially as the season becomes chillier and cozier around us! We expect to continue hosting a variety of both virtual and in-person programs, some taking place in the Multipurpose Room, some throughout the Children's Room or Teen Areas.

Currently, all attendees (ages 3 and up) are required to wear a mask for the duration of all indoor Nesmith Library programs. This applies to all children ages 3 and up and their caregivers for youth programs, and it also applies to tweens, teens, and adults attending indoor programs, which are organized and being run by Nesmith Library staff. If you are

attending a meeting where an outside group has arranged to use our meeting room, that group will determine if masks are required during their meeting. Masks are encouraged while using any part of the library, as recommended by the CDC for our area. Please visit our [Phased Reopening page](#) for current details about our services.

Indoor Nesmith Library programs will also often have limited capacity for attendance, since we cannot safely accommodate as many people indoors as we could outside. Please check if the program you wish to attend has a registration form, and please note that registration will close when our limited capacity for that program has been reached or at a date

near when the program is planned to occur to allow for planning. Youth and storytime programs may ask that you plan for only one caregiver to accompany your child into the program, so that we can accommodate as many children and family groups as possible at each program. Caregivers are welcome to wait in the Children's Room or another location in the library for the duration of the program. We are happy to help you use the registration forms (on our website [Event Calendar](#)). If you have any questions, please call us at 603-432-7154 or email the staff member organizing the program. You can also send us a general email at info@nesmithlibrary.org.

Indoor Programs Update

Masks are required for all attendees ages 3 & up during all Nesmith Library indoor programs.

THANK YOU!



November Adult Programming

*Maria Schroeter,
Adult Collection Development and
Adult Programming Librarian*

Gobble, gobble! Happy Thanksgiving! If you have some down time during the holiday, we have some great books that will be out in time for your break. *Tom Clancy Chain of Command* (the 30th installment of the Jack Ryan series) will be out on the 16th, the wonderfully romantic *Just Haven't Met You Yet* by Sophie Cousens arrives on the 9th, and the gorgeously photographed *National Geographic Ocean: A Global Odyssey* will be available on the 16th. 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.

Nesmith Library Book Group

The Nesmith Library Book Group will meet in person, on Wednesday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. This month we've been reading *The Exiles* by Christina Baker Kline. 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 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 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.

Maximizing Social Security

Are you one of the 90% of Americans who do not fully maximize their Social Security benefits? Find out your best plan when Nesmith Library welcomes Andy Githmark (in person) on

Wednesday, November 3 at 6:00 p.m. for an interactive Maximizing Social Security seminar. Knowing how and when to collect Social Security benefits can be complex because it ultimately depends on your unique circumstances. With retirees living longer today than previous generations, your choice of when to retire and collect Social Security benefits can make a significant difference in the income you collect in retirement. As a certified National Social Security Advisor®, Andy is trained to give you the information needed to ensure you fully realize the value of lifetime benefit maximization. He'll cover what spousal benefits are available if you are married, widowed, or divorced, and he'll review the potential effects that working in retirement and having a public employee or government pension can have on your benefits. By understanding all the various claiming strategies, you can maximize your benefits and gain financial clarity. Be sure to bring your questions!



Andy Githmark is a founding partner and wealth manager at Steward Partners Global Advisory. He has been in the financial services industry since 1997, serving as a trusted financial advisor since 2010, and he has

earned both his Certified Divorce Financial Analyst® and National Social Security Analyst certifications.

Radio Turns 100



Around 100 years ago, on November 2, 1920, Pittsburgh radio station KDKA made the first commercial broadcast in our nation. On Tuesday, November 9 at 2:00 p.m., Mike Morin, morning co-host on Frank FM's four New Hampshire radio stations, will present "Radio Turns 100: The Golden Age of Entertainment," in person at the Nesmith Library. Mike will bring radio history alive by sharing a collection of short clips from some of the greatest radio entertainers of the past century. This multimedia presentation is a tribute to radio, and includes Milton Berle, Jack Benny, Groucho Marx, Orson Welles, and several memorable Boston radio personalities. Join us in person to hear Mike's stories, many of which surprised HIM when he unearthed them! We are proud to be co-hosting this program with the Windham Historical Society.

As a broadcaster in his 51st year, Mike has lived and worked

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during half of radio's existence, and has insider stories both from afar and up close and very personal. In addition to radio, Mike has been a TV weatherman, candlepin bowling TV host for nine years, and since 2004, has written over 600 essays as a humor columnist for the *Nashua Telegraph*. He has also authored two books, one of which, *Lunch with Tommy and Stasia – TV's Golden Age of Candlepin Bowling*, just won first place in the non-fiction category at the 2021 Biennial New Hampshire Literary Awards! In 2013, the National Society of Newspaper Columnists recognized him with its Will Rogers Humanitarian Award.

Scattergories

Check our Facebook page on Monday, November 15 at noon for a Thanksgiving-themed Scattergories game!

Donut Take Us Lightly...

Molly Pevna,
Youth/Teen Services Librarian

When I say that we are going to have an awesome time this month in the teen department!



Starting with the end of the month first, we're having a **Teen Friendsgiving** on Tuesday, November 30 at 6:30 p.m. Registration is required, and registrants are required to bring a food item to share with others in order to participate. Please email Molly by Friday, November 26 with what you are bringing and any

Tree Trio Craft



With the holidays right around the corner, it's time to think about decorating! Join us in person on

Wednesday, November 17 at 6:00 p.m. when we'll be crafting a trio of yarn trees! These trees can be used for holiday decor and throughout the winter. Capacity for this program is limited, so register early! Sponsored by the Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW)!

All attendees are required to wear a mask for the duration of all programs taking place indoors at Nesmith Library. Masks are encouraged while using the rest of the library.

Adult programs are for ages 16 and up (unless otherwise noted), and registration is required. Register online by visiting www.nesmithlibrary.org/calendar.

For more information on any of these programs, or if you have any questions, please contact Maria at mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org or call the library at 603-432-7154.

dietary restrictions you may have.

Not hungry? That's okay, we'll be having our **Tween Pom-Pom Craft** on Wednesday, November 17 at 3:30 p.m. No registration is required.



As always, we'll be having our **Teen Advisory Group (TAG) Meeting** on the second Tuesday of the month, Tuesday, November 9 at 6:30 p.m. If you want to learn more or join TAG, check out our website or email Molly Pevna at



mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org. You can also email Molly about any other questions you may have about teen or tween programming!

As a note, all teen programs are for grades 7-12 only and all tween programs are for grades 4-8 only. We are requiring that any participants of Nesmith Library indoor programs wear a mask while inside the program if they are ages 3+. Masks are encouraged while inside the library.

Nesmith Library Youth Department News

Azra Palo,
Head of Youth Services

In October the Nesmith Library youth staff was busy with outreach and off-site storytimes! On October 1, we hosted our Apple Storytime at Mack's Apples. Thank you to the staff at Mack's for being so welcoming and allowing us to use their space. We will be back next year!



Next, we partnered with the Windham Rail Trail on October 15 and did a special Train Storytime at

the caboose! Thank you Mark Samsel for letting the patrons explore the inside of the caboose. The Nesmith Library can't wait to partner again with the Windham Rail Trail. We are so grateful for having this wonderful resource in town.

Before we headed into Halloween festivities at the library, the youth staff tabled at Windham's Harvest Fest on October 16, a beautiful and busy day! We did Halloween cards with young patrons and handed out temporary tattoos and lollipops. Thank you to Cheryl Haas and the Windham Recreation Department for putting on a fantastic Harvest Fest. We can't wait until next year to see all the little ghouls and goblins again.



If you or your organization is interested in partnering with the Nesmith Library Youth Department, please email Azara Palo, our Head of Youth Services, apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

Storytime Session #2

Azra Palo



Toddler Storytime

Mondays, November 1 to December 6 at 10:30 a.m.

Registration required.

Session #2 of Toddler Storytime starts Monday, November 1 at 10:30 a.m. We will read stories, sing, and maybe dance. This pro-

gram is for toddlers ages 18 months to 3 years supervised by an adult caregiver. Toddler Storytime lasts approximately 20-25 minutes. Siblings are welcome. Questions? Email Ms. Chris at csavukinas@nesmithlibrary.org.

Baby Storytime

Wednesdays, November 3 to December 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Registration not required.

All babies and their caregivers are invited to join us for our second session of Baby Storytime starting Wednesday, November 3 at 10:30 a.m. for ages 0-18 months hosted by the Nesmith Library! Stories, songs, and dancing indoors. Siblings are welcome.

Questions? Email Azra Palo at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.

Preschool Storytime

Thursdays, November 4 to December 9 at 10:30 a.m.

Registration required.

Join us for our second session of Preschool Storytime at the Nesmith Library starting Thursday, November 4 at 10:30 a.m. Stories, songs, and more with Miss Molly. Preschool Storytime is for children ages 3-5 years.

This is an independent storytime, and we ask that patrons stay on the library grounds during the program. Please know that for this storytime, we ask that your child be able to attend most, if not all, the storytimes. For more information, please email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Friends of the Library of Windham (FLOW) Holiday Crafts

Sandy Sun,
FLOW Publicity

FLOW Holiday Crafts 2021 sign-up starts next Monday, November 1 for FLOW members, and Wednesday, November 3 for non-members.

The Friends of the Library of Windham are once again sponsoring holiday craft workshops for children ages four and up. This year we will be offering both in-person workshops as well as take-home crafts. Workshops will run Monday, November 29 through Thursday, December 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. You can sign up for one of the hour-long sessions (4:00-5:00 p.m. or 5:00-6:00 p.m.). All necessary supplies will be provided, so all you will need to bring is your crafty kid(s)!

For in-person workshops, there will be two crafts for each session. Please see our website for the schedule. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, each session will be limited to 10 kids. Please only have one adult from each family attend. FLOW members will get first pick on signing up! Registration for FLOW members begins on Monday, November 1 on our website. Not a FLOW member? Worried about spacing restrictions

and filled registrations? No problem! Becoming a member is easy. Just simply sign up at <https://www.flowwindham.org>. Once you register you will be instantaneously able to register for one of the limited in-person spots. Registration for non-FLOW members begins Wednesday, November 3. Payment for crafts is expected at the time of registration. Please only sign up for one session to give others a chance to attend. Price per workshop and price per craft varies.

For take-home crafts, place your order online, pick up at the library, then enjoy completing the craft at home with your kids! For

FLOW members, online ordering begins Monday, November 1 on our website. For non-members, online ordering begins Wednesday, November 3. Order early while supplies last! Pick up your craft or crafts at the Nesmith Library November 29 through December 2 anytime when the library is open.

New this year! Come check out our Children's Book Fair! Open during our workshop sessions, you'll have a chance to stock up on children's books for your family.

If you have any questions, email Tara and Kate at childrens.activities@flowwindham.org.

Happy Crafting!



READS Award Winner

Congratulations to our very own Adult Programming and Collection Development Librarian **Maria Schroeter** for winning the 2021 Reference and Adult Services Section (READS) Award of Excellence presented last month by the New Hampshire Library Association!

The award recognizes outstanding contributions by an amazing New Hampshire librarian, who has been instrumental in improving library services to adults.

Monthly Children's Events

Azra Palo

STEAM

Thursday, November 4
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Ages 5-9. No registration required.

Nesmith Library youth staff invite our young patrons to drop in and explore STEAM experiments at the library. For November, it will be a drop-in program, so stop by between 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. For more information about our STEAM programs, email Azra at apalo@nesmithlibrary.org.



Tween Event

Wednesday, November 17 at 3:30 p.m.

Grades 4-8. No registration required.

Who's ready for warm drinks and the holiday season? Join us to make some pom-pom coasters! We'll meet on Wednesday, November 17 at 3:30 p.m. Questions? Email Molly at mpevna@nesmithlibrary.org.

Create Club

Thursday, November 18
6:30-7:30 p.m.

Ages 5-9. No registration required.

Young patrons are invited to join our monthly

Create Club at the library on Thursday, November 18. We will explore different art, stories, and more. This is an independent program, but caregivers are required to stay on site. For more information, email Kristen Rickershauser krickershauser@nesmithlibrary.org.



Dates to Remember

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| 11/1 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; FLOW Holiday Crafts Registration for Members Begins | 11/8 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. | 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; Create Club 6:30 p.m. |
| 11/3 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Maximizing Social Security, 6:00 p.m.; FLOW Holiday Crafts Registration Opens for Everyone | 11/9 Radio Turns 100, 2:00 p.m.; Teen Advisory Group, 6:30 p.m. | 11/22 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m. |
| 11/4 Preschool Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Knitters, 12:30-2:30 p.m.; STEAM @Nesmith Library, 6:30 p.m. | 11/10 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Nesmith Library Book Group, 6:00 p.m. | 11/24 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Library Closes at 3:00 p.m. |
| 11/7 Virtual COVID Spring II: More Granite State Pandemic Poems, 6:00 p.m. | 11/11 Veterans Day, Library Closed | 11/25 Thanksgiving, Library Closed |
| | 11/15 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Library Board of Trustees, 6:00 p.m. | 11/26 Day After Thanksgiving, Library Closed |
| | 11/17 Baby Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; Pom-Pom Tween Craft, 3:30 p.m.; Trio Tree Craft, 6:00 p.m. | 11/29 Toddler Storytime, 10:30 a.m.; FLOW Holiday Crafts, 4:00-6:00 p.m. |
| | 11/18 Preschool Storytime, | 11/30 Teen Friendsgiving, 6:30 p.m.; FLOW Holiday Crafts, 4:00-6:00 p.m. |

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Service 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.

Sun. 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

The Nesmith Library will be closed on Thursday, November 11 in observance of Veterans Day. It will close early at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24 and be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 24 and Friday, November 25.

