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Library Newsletter

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NEWPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
ADULT
WINTER
READING CHALLENGE
JANUARY 10 - MARCH 7, 2022

 **Challenge yourself to read 8 books in 8 weeks
for a chance to win a prize!**
Visit the Reference Desk for more information.



Looking to find new and exciting reads during the cold winter months? Our Winter Reading Challenge takes all the benefits of our year-long challenge and re-imagines them on a smaller scale. Whether you're looking to expand your horizons or clear out your backlog, the 2022 Adult Winter Reading Challenge can help you find great reads to enjoy!



Children's Winter Reading Challenge

Jan. 3 - Feb. 28

Ages 0-12 Years Old.

Children Ages 0-12 years old can participate in



January 3rd to February 28th

our Winter Reading Challenge online through Beanstack!

On Beanstack, children can earn points by completing activities. Complete 10 activities for special prizes. Participants can also complete all of the 20 activities for an additional Winter Reading Champion prize!

Visit our Winter Reading Challenge Page for more information.

Playdate at the Library

Tuesdays, Jan. 18 & Feb. 15

10:00am

Ages 2-5 Years Old

Program Room

Children ages 2 – 5 years old and a caregiver are invited to our new preschool Playdates at the Library!



In this hour-long, unstructured play time, children will explore the power of play with a variety of toys and materials that support sensory stimulation as well as the development of fine motor skills, gross-motor skills, eye-hand coordination, exercise and muscle building, and early literacy.

Children who participate must be able to wear a mask throughout the duration of the program.

Registration is required.

Registration for January begins on Tuesday, December 28th.

Registration for February begins on Tuesday, January 25th.



Winter Wonderland Fun

Friday, Jan. 28

10:00am

Ages 2-5 Years Old

Program Room

Children ages 2 – 5 years old and a caregiver are invited to a special Winter Wonderland Fun program! Join us for wintery-themed games, activities and crafts.

Registration is required and will begin on Tuesday, December 28th.



Valentine Craft Party

Saturday, Feb. 12

2:30pm

Ages 5-12 Years Old

Program Room

Children ages 5 – 12 years old are invited to celebrate Valentine's Day with a craft! Children will have the opportunity to make a variety of Valentine-themed crafts.

Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, January 25th.



Kids Art With Mermaid Masterpieces

Wednesday, Feb. 23

2:30pm

Ages 6-12 Years Old

Program Room

Children ages 6 – 12 years old are invited to a free one-hour art class presented by Mermaid Masterpieces! Kids will learn art techniques and complete an art project on canvas to bring home.

Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, January 25th.

Tinker Tuesday

Tuesday, Feb. 22

2:00pm

Ages 6-12 Years Old

Children ages 6 – 12 years old are invited to build and engineer with us! Explore and build with Lincoln Logs, KEVA Planks, Q-BA Maze, PlayMags, Spinning Puzzles, Snap Circuits and more!

Registration is required and begins on Tuesday, January 25th.



January & February Storytimes



Family Storytime

Wednesdays

Jan. 12 - Feb. 26

10:00am

Ages 0-5 & a Caregiver

Saturday Stories

Saturdays

Jan. 15 - Feb. 26

10:00am

Ages 0-5 & a Caregiver

Baby Bookworms

Thursdays

Jan. 13 - Feb. 17

9:30am

Ages 0-2 & a Caregiver

[Click here for all Children's and Family Programs](#)



Take & Make Tuesday

2nd Tuesday of the Month

Every month we'll have new DIY activity kits with instructions and supplies. Come in, grab one, do it here with your BFF or take it home. It's your choice!



Special Thanks to our Funders:

Take & Make Tuesday: Thursday Edition

4th Thursday of the Month

It's Take & Make, take TWO! The 4th Thursday of every month we'll have *another* (different!) DIY activity kit with instructions and supplies. Come in, grab one, do it here with your BFF or take it home. It's your choice!



Movie Afternoon

1st Thursday of the Month

5:00pm

Program Room

Calling all young film aficionados! Join Miss Christina for a groovy Movie Afternoon! The



Mix It Up

2nd Thursday of the Month

5:00pm

Each month Miss Christina will dive deep into the YA supply closet and pull out something different! We're talking cool crafts, brilliant

first Thursday of every month we'll screen a different PG-13 and under flick. We'll watch it all from the latest releases to some beloved classics.

No registration required.

board games, maybe a fantastic film or superb series. It's anybody's guess what Miss C's will select from the stock room. Why not swing by to find out?

No registration required.



Teen Advisory Board

1st Tuesday of the Month

4:00pm

Have you ever thought, "I wish the Library would...?" Now's your chance to turn those ellipses into a reality.

(TAB) is where teens can express their opinions, make friends and connect with the community. Plus, teens who team up with TAB can use this time towards community service.

No registration required.

Book Groups



First Chapter Friday

2nd and 4th Friday of the Month

Advance Readers Copies Book Club (ARC) is not like any book club you've been to before. ARC gives teens access to the hottest young adult titles *before* they're published!

No registration required.



ARC Book Club

3rd Tuesday of the Month

4:00pm

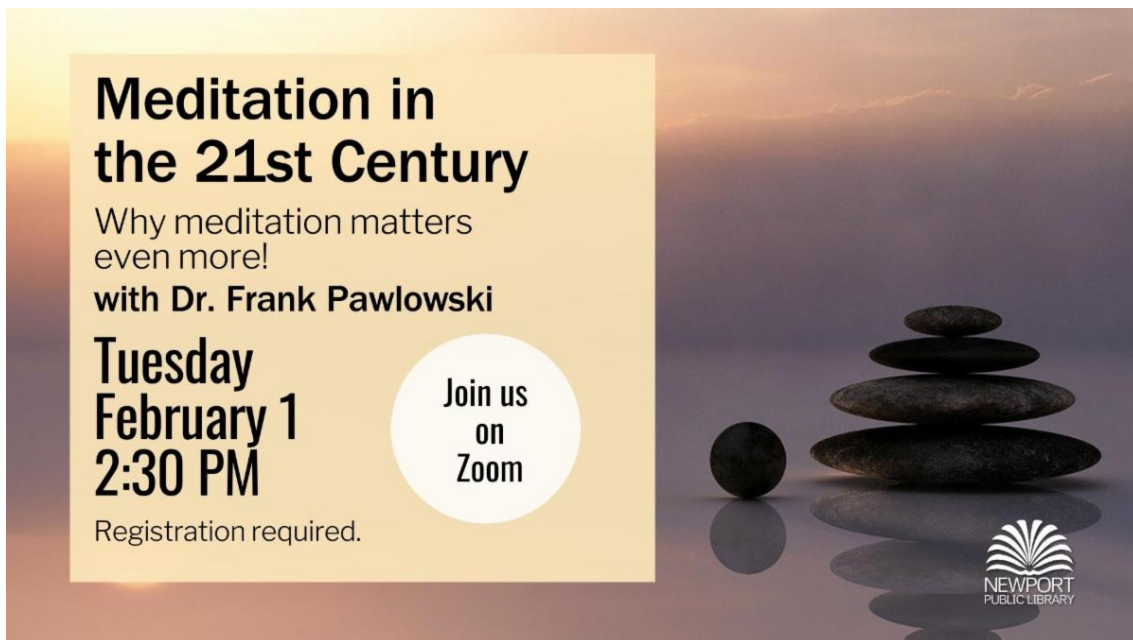
YA Area

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No registration required.

[Click here for all Teen Programs](#)

Adult Programming



Meditation in the 21st Century
Why meditation matters even more!
with Dr. Frank Pawlowski

**Tuesday
February 1
2:30 PM**

Registration required.

Join us
on
Zoom

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Registration with a valid email address is required. A Zoom link will be sent to your inbox upon registration. And a reminder email goes out the day before the event.



Chess Club

1st and 3rd Tuesdays

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Maker Lab

Join librarian and chess enthusiast Sean Doherty for Chess Club at the library. All skill levels are welcome from those just starting or the more advanced players. Meets on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 3:00-4:00 PM. Ages 16 and up are welcome.

No registration required: just drop in!

Take-Home Craft Kits for Adults

Try out some new projects from the comfort of your own home! Each month, we'll feature a different kit to help you make a great new project! To participate, visit us at the Reference Desk to pick up your kit during regular Library Hours.

No registration required. Limit one bag per person, first come first serve, while supplies last.
Available to patrons 18 and older.



January Pom-Pom Dandelions

Available Starting Jan. 3



February Wooden Decoupage Coasters

Available Starting Feb. 1



FILM SERIES

Audrey Hepburn

Roman Holiday	JAN. 14
Sabrina	JAN. 28
Funny Face	FEB. 11
Breakfast at Tiffany's	FEB. 25



PROGRAM ROOM

Friday
afternoons
2:30 PM

The Friday afternoon Film Series continues this season! Movies are held at 2:30 in the Program Room. No registration required.

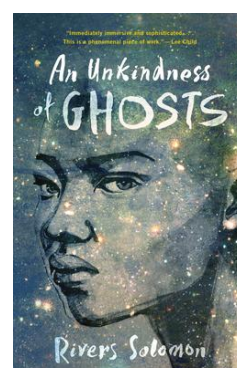
Thursday Evening Book Group

Thursday, Jan. 13 and Feb. 10

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Program Room

Join us for our newest book group we will be reading dystopian fiction on the second Thursday of the month.



Jan. 13: Time Machine

Registration is required.

Feb. 10: An Unkindness of Ghosts

Registration is required.



Virtual Writing Workshop

Wednesday, Jan. 12

2:30pm - 4:00pm

Online

Join Caroline Joy Adams in this writing workshop! Each workshop in this series will include one or two brief writing exercises on a given theme, and then time to share, in a fun, supportive way.

Seating is limited! **Registration with a valid email address is required** for participation.

For more information, contact Ann Amaral at aamaral@newportlibraryri.org or call 401-847-8720 x208.

Slavery in Colonial RI

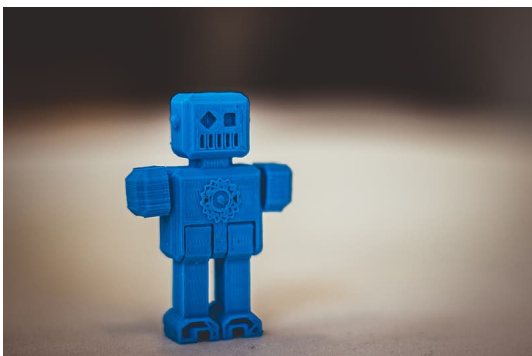
Tuesday, Feb. 15

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Program Room

Join us for this in-person talk on the history of slavery in Rhode Island by Fred Zilian, Ph.D. This presentation will guide you through the beginnings of slavery through its growth in the colony in the 18th century and topics beyond.

Seating is limited! **Registration is required.**



Maker Lab Workshops

Last Monday of the Month

6:00 - 7:00pm

Maker Lab

Join us each month for a demonstration and tutorial on how to utilize our Maker Lab equipment!

Registration is required. Open to ages 18+. Choose a session below to register.

Jan. 31: 3D Printing

Feb. 28: Vinyl Stickers

Computer Workshops

Thursdays, Jan. 20, Feb. 3, Feb. 17

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Maker Lab

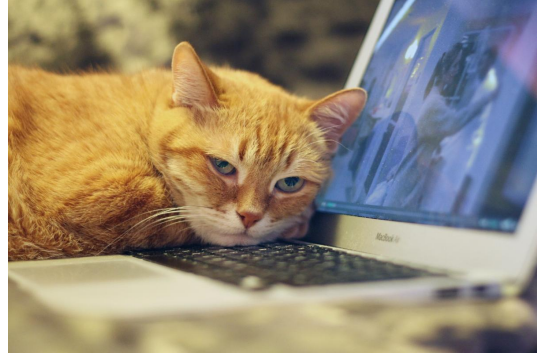
In these afternoon Computer Workshops, we'll cover a variety of topics from the basics to getting the most out of specific apps and programs!

Registration is required. Click a session below to register.

Jan. 20: Digital Decluttering

Feb. 3: iPhone Basics

Feb. 17: Google Photos



Click here for all Adult Programs



Happy New Year!

Happy New Year from the Friends of the Newport Library!

We send our best wishes to all of you for a very peaceful and healthy New Year.

We are very thankful for all who participated in our Gift and Holiday Sale. It was a great success, providing patrons with reasonable prices for their holiday shopping, and earning over \$3,000 for the library. So thank you!

Winter months are a great time to curl up with a good book or work a jigsaw puzzle. Please stop by the bookstore to discover something to satisfy both those needs!

Since there was minimal interest in shopping in the bookstore on Sundays, we will be closed starting Sunday, January 9, 2022. All other bookstore hours will remain the same. However, when the bookstore is closed, there is always the opportunity to find an adult or children's book in the lower lobby during library hours.

We look forward to seeing you in the New Year!

Donations

We are accepting donations of gently used books of current and resale quality, as well as

magazines, textbooks, audiobooks and DVDs. Please leave your bagged items on the loading dock outside, on the south side of the building.



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Library Hours

Monday - 12:00PM - 8:30PM

Tuesday - 9:00AM - 8:30PM

Wednesday - 9:00AM - 8:30PM

Thursday - 9:00AM - 8:30PM

Friday - 9:00AM - 5:30PM

Saturday - 9:00AM - 5:30PM

Sunday* - 1:00PM - 5:00PM

**(October - May)*

**Make a Donation. Thank
You!**