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Library Newsletter

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Hola! **SPANISH FOR TRAVELERS**

WITH SOLE SHEIBAR

Designed for adults,
perfect for beginners!

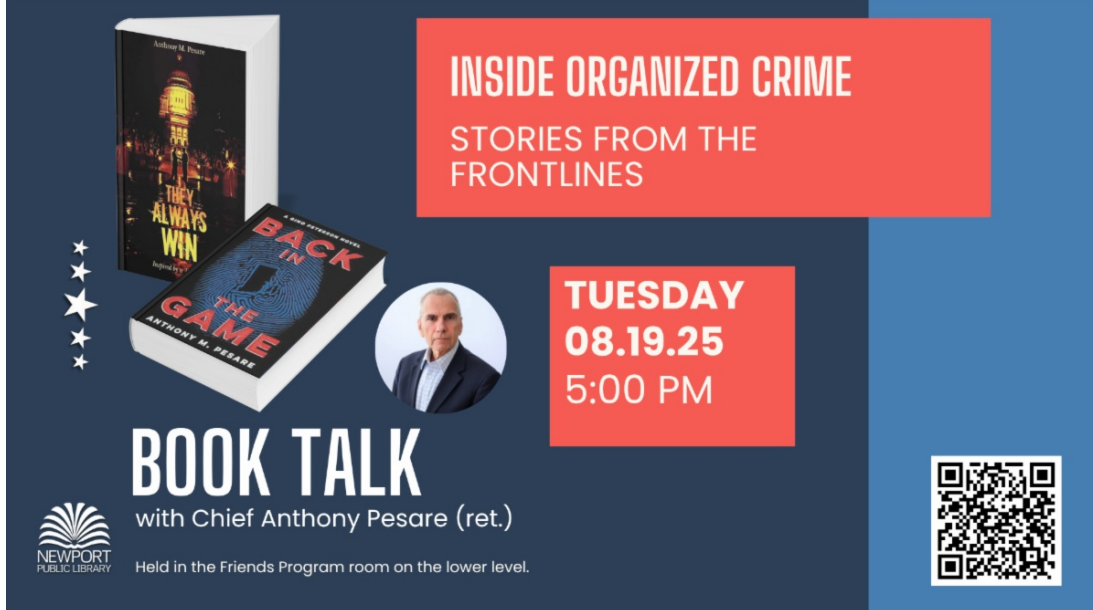
Friday, July 25
10:30-11:30AM



Seating is limited, please register to reserve your spot.
Held in the Friends Program room on the lower level.

Join us for a Spanish language tutorial with Sole Sheibar!
This class is designed for adult learners and focuses on practical speaking skills to help you communicate with confidence while traveling in Spanish-speaking countries. Perfect for beginners — no prior knowledge of Spanish is needed.

Registration is required.


A promotional graphic for a book talk event. It features a dark blue background with a red banner at the top right. On the left, there are two book covers: 'THEY ALWAYS WIN' and 'BACK IN THE GAME' by Anthony M. Pesare. A circular portrait of Chief Anthony Pesare is next to the books. A red box on the right contains the event details. A QR code is in the bottom right corner. The Newport Public Library logo is in the bottom left.

INSIDE ORGANIZED CRIME
STORIES FROM THE
FRONTLINES

TUESDAY
08.19.25
5:00 PM

BOOK TALK
with Chief Anthony Pesare (ret.)
Held in the Friends Program room on the lower level.

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Drawing on a distinguished 40-year career in law enforcement — much of it spent investigating organized crime — Chief Pesare will present a compelling talk on the history and evolution of organized crime in New England. He'll also share the stories behind his two books, which bring these cases to life.

The event will conclude with a Q&A session. Please register below to reserve your spot.

Registration is required.



Children's Summer Reading Challenge



Children from birth through Grade 5 are invited to join the Children's 2025 Summer Reading Challenge, Level Up at Your Library! Registration begins June 23rd and the program will take place from **June 23rd – August 8th**.

For more information about the Summer Reading Challenge, please call 401-847-8720 x204 or [click here for more information](#).

Activity Tracker



Children participating in the Summer Reading Challenge will be asked to complete activities to earn points. For every 5 points earned, children will receive a prize. Complete all 25 points for a final prize. Children who complete all 25 points will also be entered into a raffle for one of six grand prizes.

Children may participate with a paper activity tracker or online through the Library's website. Prizes will be available for pickup as soon as each 5 points are reached.

[Click here for more information](#).

Performers

Join us for a variety of summer performers including Fiddle N' Fun, Bubbles with Circus Dynamics, The Magic of Russ DeSimone, Science Heroes, and Flying High Dogs!

All performer programs are sponsored by the Friends of the Newport Public Library.

[Click here for more information](#).



Take and Make Crafts



Each week of summer reading we invite kids ages 0 through 12 to drop by the Library for a craft project that can be taken home and made. We'll provide a bag filled with all the necessary supplies, instructions for how to make the craft and/or a picture of the final product.

One bag per child while supplies last. Take and Make crafts will be available for pickup at the Children's Desk during regular Library hours.

[Click here for more information.](#)

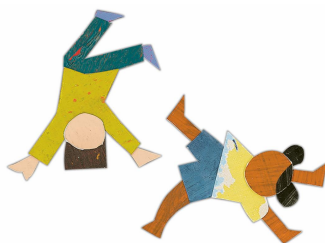
Design-A-Bookmark Contest

Children who are local to Newport County and are signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge are invited to design a bookmark to celebrate books and reading. Four winners will be chosen in the following categories: PreK, K-1, 2-3, 4-5. Enter anytime between June 23rd and August 8th. One entry per child.



[Click here for more information.](#)

Programs For Kids



Children are invited to join us for a variety of programs all summer long including Family Storytime, Baby Bookworms, A is for Art, STEAM Club, Family Fun, 3D Printing, ceramic shark painting, Book Character Bingo, Perler Beads, catapult building, sand art, family movies and much more!

[Click here for more information.](#)

Passive Programs All Summer Long

Visit the Library anytime to enjoy a variety of passive activities for kids. Vote in our "Board Game Battle"

Tournament, complete the I Spy Scavenger Hunt, and check out an Escape Room Kit. There are two new Escape Room Kits to enjoy this year: "Get Out of the Games" and "Escape Jumanji."

In addition, each week of summer reading will feature a different activity that may be enjoyed anytime the Library is open including tic-tac-toe, color Sudoku, tabletop twister, physical Tetris, a race car game and more.



[Click here for more information.](#)



Children's Storytimes

Jul - Aug 2025

Baby Bookworms

Ages 0-24 Months

Thursdays at 9:30 AM

Jul 3 - Aug 7

Friends Room

No registration required.

Outdoor Family Storytime

Ages 0-5 Years

Wednesdays at 10:00 AM

Jul 2 -Aug 6

Aquidneck Park

No registration required.

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



Teen Summer Reading Challenge



The **Teen Summer Reading Program** is for teens entering Grades 6-12 or recent graduates. Join us for fun activities, a chance to win amazing prizes, and more! Here's a sneak-peek of what is to come!

A chance to win prizes!



Nintendo Switch Lite



Kindle



AirPods

Teen Programs



Game Trivia

Tuesday, Jul 1

4:00 PM

Grades 6-12

YA Area

Test your gaming knowledge! (Hint: board games, video games and even sports are on the table!) The winning team will receive a small prize.

Registration is required.

Book Boxes

Thursday, Jul 3

4:00 PM

Grades 6-12

Friends Program Room

Paint a wooden box version of your favorite book!
Hide on your bookshelf to store your treasures. Please
wear painting-appropriate clothing.

Registration is required.



Gaming Lounge

Mondays, Jul 7 - Aug 4

3:00 PM

Grades 6-12

YA Area

Come hang and play on the Nintendo Switch, PlayStation, Wii, or GameCube during our weekly gaming lounge. No registration required.

Treasure Hunt

Tuesday, Jul 8

4:00 PM

Grades 6-12

YA Area

Teens will be given a set of puzzles and clues that will lead them around the library and to the treasure!



Registration is required.



Diamond Art

Thursday, Jul 10

4:00 PM

Grades 6-12

YA Area

Diamond Art is a craft involving applying small resin rhinestones to a pre-printed design on an adhesive canvas to create a shimmering mosaic-style artwork. All materials provided.

Registration is required.

Many more Teen programs await this summer!

[Click here for all Teen Programs](#)

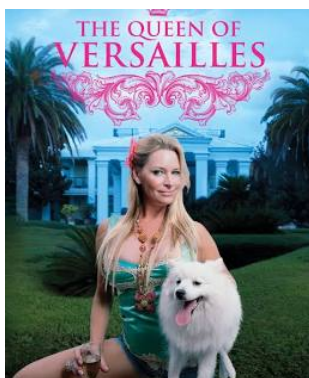
Adult Events

Adult Summer Reading Challenge



The best incentive you'll find for sitting down with a few great books this summer! Discover new great reads and enter for a chance to win prizes! To participate in the Adult Summer Reading Challenge you must be 18 or older, have a library card, and enjoy books! For more information, stop by Reference Desk, email us at info@newportlibraryri.org or call 401-847-8720 x208.

[Click here for more information.](#)



newportFILM DocuClub Presents: The Queen of Versailles

Wednesday, Jul 16

5:00 PM

Friends Program Room

NewportFILM is thrilled to launch a new series: newportFILM DocuClub – a quarterly gathering where storytelling, conversation, and community come together around iconic documentaries.

How It Works:

1. **Watch the Film in Advance.** Stream The Queen of Versailles for free on Hoopla using your Newport Public Library card - available now to watch at your convenience.
2. **Join the Discussion.** Come for an engaging evening with interactive small group conversations with fellow film lovers and light refreshments!

Registration is required.

Maker Lab Workshops

Monday, Jul 28 & Aug 25

5:00 PM

Maker Lab

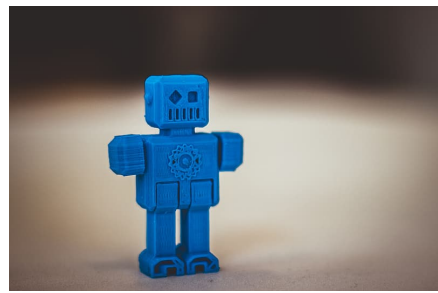
Join us each month for a demonstration and tutorial on how to utilize our Maker Lab equipment! Come design a project, which will be printed at a later date for pickup.

Some computer experience, including the ability to find and download files, is required.

Open to Ages 18+. Registration is required.

Jul 28: 3D Printing

Aug 25: Vinyl Stickers



Tuesday Board Games

Join us for
BOARD GAMES
on Tuesday afternoons

3-5 PM

SCRABBLE
2nd & 4th Tuesday

S, C, R, A, B, B, L, E

CHESS
1st & 3rd Tuesday

3-4 PM

Held in the Maker Lab
For more information visit newportlibraryri.org or stop by the Reference desk

Come play a board game with us on Tuesdays! Chess is held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 3-4 PM. Scrabble is held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 3-5 PM. No registration required.

Film Series

FILM SERIES

HISTORICAL BIOPICS

Fridays at 2:00pm
Friends Program Room
Light Refreshments Provided!

Jun 13

Lincoln

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Jun 27

The Imitation Game

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Jul 11

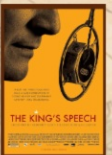
The Theory of Everything

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Jul 25

The King's Speech

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The Friday afternoon Film Series continues this season! Movies are held at 2:00pm in the Friends Program Room. No registration required; just drop in!
Light refreshments will be provided.

Computer Workshops

Thursday, Jul 10 & Aug 7

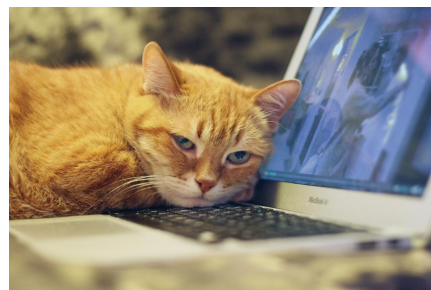
Maker Lab

Join us on select Thursdays as we explore different computer and technology topics.

Registration is required. Click on a session below to register.

Jul 10: Computer Basics

Aug 7: Internet Basics



[Click here for all Adult Programs](#)



Summer is Here!



Our annual summer book sale will begin Thursday, July 10th! A variety of fiction, non-fiction, children's books and puzzles-- all for only \$1.00! New items will be added daily. Beach reads have returned to the bookstore!

Summer is the time for grilling outdoors and we have a variety of books if you are looking for new recipes. On rainy days, our bookstore is a great place to visit. You can find a puzzle, books for children's activities, or maybe an interesting book you never knew about.

Thank you to all our new members who became a Friend during our May membership drive. It is never too late to become a Friend and support our library. Just pick up a membership envelope in the store or lobby and drop it in the Honor Box if the store is not open.

We are accepting donations of books that are current and in good condition. We also accept puzzles, DVDs and CDs. As a reminder: we do not accept encyclopedias, textbooks or outdated medical or technology books. Large donations can be left on the loading dock at the side of the Library.

Follow us on **Facebook**, check out our **eBay store**, and remember you can always find a book to read in the lobby during Library hours! Payment can be made in the Honor Box for your convenience.



Summer Library Hours*

Monday - 12:00PM - 7:00PM
Tuesday - 9:00AM - 7:00PM
Wednesday - 9:00AM - 7:00PM
Thursday - 9:00AM - 7:00PM
Friday - 9:00AM - 5:30PM
Saturday - 9:00AM - 5:30PM
Sunday - Closed
**Jun 30 - Sep 2, 2025*



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