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## Library News and Events

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### 26th Edition 5K Registration is now Open! - Friday, July 14 at 6:00

Registration for the Kennebunk Free Library 26th Edition 5K is now open! Register early to ensure that you are among the 200 lucky participants to claim one of our fabulous goodie bags, including a race t-shirt!

Our scenic course begins and ends in the library parking lot, winding through peaceful local neighborhoods and the beautiful and perfectly-maintained Hope Cemetery and Woods trails. USATF certification is pending.

Following the race, join us for a party on the library lawn, with live music, food, and a beer tent! Prizes will go to the top male and female finisher in each of nine age categories.

Though we are not offering a separate virtual race registration, if you are unable to join us in person, we encourage you to run your own course and send us photos. One winner, determined by KFL staff vote, will receive a prize.

THANK YOU TO OUR 5K EVENT SPONSOR!!



Information Nights for Potential Trustees - April 4 & 19



Are you enthusiastic about the Kennebunk Free Library? Would you like to serve on our Board? We are seeking new Trustees who will be active participants at monthly Board and committee meetings and will serve as library advocates, promoting KFL in its mission to inspire and enable our communities to discover, learn, and connect. Interested? You can look over the [FAQ for Potential Trustees](#). To learn more, join us at one of our in-person Information Sessions on Tuesday, April 4 at 5:00 or Wednesday, April 19 at 6:30. Current Trustees will be available to answer your questions and describe their Trustee experience. Register [here](#) for April 4 or [here](#) for April 19.



### A Message from the Friends of KFL

All are invited to join us for our next meeting on April 10 at 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm in the Walker Room at KFL. Visit the [Friends page](#) on the KFL website for minutes for an agenda and minutes from the last meeting.

The Friends are marching again in the May Day parade on May 6. We'll don some swag and highlight all that KFL has to offer. We'd love to have a few families and Friends of all ages join us. For more information email [kfl@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:kfl@kennebunklibrary.org). Happy Spring!



### National Library Week at KFL

Stop by KFL from April 23-29 to help us celebrate National Library Week. This year's theme is "There's More to the Story," highlighting the many, many services and items that libraries offer in addition to books.

No celebration of libraries is complete without also celebrating the wonderful patrons that make the library what it is! Each time you drop by the library during National Library Week, you'll receive one free ticket to enter our annual Book Bundle raffle. We will also be offering free library card replacements. If your card is missing or getting a bit battered, now is the time to get a new one!

## Adult Programs

### Spanish Language Conversation Group - March 27; April 3, 10, 24



Stop by the Kennebunk Free Library from 5:30 to 6:30 on Monday evenings, beginning March 27, for an opportunity to practice conversational Spanish with educator and native Spanish-speaker Eva Hernandez.

Eva was born in Madrid to a family of teachers. She writes, "I inherited this passion. Teaching is my vocation and learning is my attitude in life. I love education and relationships." Since she was a child, Eva has had an interest in languages. In addition to Spanish and English, she speaks French, German, Italian, and some Portuguese. She is an avid traveler, visiting countries around the globe. As a nature lover and fan of outdoor activities,

Eva says that Maine is “a paradise for my senses.” She is looking forward to getting to know people in the community through this program.

Registration is appreciated but not required.

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### House Plant and Seed Swap - April 1



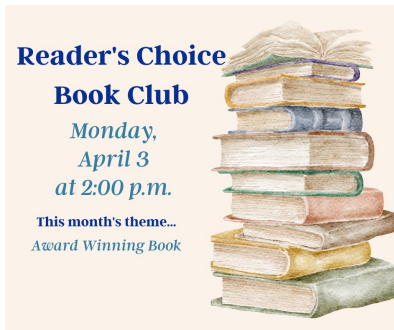
Are you looking to build your plant collection? Interested in trying out gardening and looking for seeds to start with? Come to the Kennebunk Free Library's House Plant and Seed Swap on Saturday, April 1 to join with other plant lovers to trade plants and seeds. Set up begins at 1:15 and trading commences at 1:30. Light refreshments will be served.

Please bring only healthy and pest free plants and seeds that are less than 3 years old. Please also be prepared to share the name and care information for your plants or seeds.

Registration is highly recommended.

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### Reader's Choice Book Club - April 3



Reader's Choice Book Club will meet on Monday, April 3 at 2:00 p.m. in the Walker Room. This month's theme will be *An Award Winning Book*.

How does this book club work? You choose your own book to read based on the monthly theme, and then join us for a casual and fun conversation. Stop by the library for the bookmark with 2023's list of monthly themes. Everyone is welcome!

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### In Stitches - April 4, 11, 18, 25



Do you love to knit? Crochet? Sew? Have you always wanted to learn? Do you have an unfinished project hidden on the closet shelf? Then join us every Tuesday at 11:00 for "In Stitches", our weekly handicrafts group! Grab that half-finished project and enjoy the company of others while you work; all skill levels are welcome. Feel free to stop by for a few minutes or stay the whole hour.

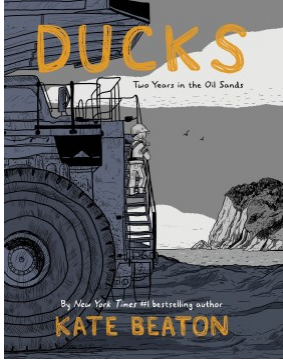
**On the first Tuesday of the month, In Stitches will take place on Zoom; see our events calendar for the link to the meeting. The rest of the month, the group will meet in-person inside the library. See our events calendar for more information.**

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### Nonfiction Book Group - April 10

Join us on Monday, April 10 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *Ducks: Two Years in the Oil Sands* by Kate Beaton.

"Beaton (Hark! A Vagrant) delivers a masterpiece graphic memoir: an immersive, devastating portrait of the two years she



worked at Fort McMurray and nearby oil sands in northern Canada. In 2005, Beaton, 21 and desperate to pay off her student loans, left her small Nova Scotia town for the booming wilds of an oil operation in Alberta. The human and environmental toll of energy dependence are painstakingly recorded on her Heart of Darkness–like journey: facing relentless sexism and misogyny (she estimates that men outnumber women 50 to 1 at the camps), Beaton moves through a series of gigs—doling out wrenches at 'tool cribs,' desk work in the supply office—and acutely feels the object of intense scrutiny; the crass remarks are endless, and at one point men line up around the building to get a look at the new girl. When hundreds of ducks become caught in a hazardous waste 'tailings pond' around the time a coworker dies on site, Beaton begins to connect individual and global consequences. While she documents her own traumas, Beaton also steps back to observe how the isolation can transform ordinary people, remarking, for instance, that hearing catcalls delivered in the familiar accent of her Cape Breton home region is especially cutting. The homespun drawings and intuitive pacing capture both the dreariness and occasional splendor of this frozen world, with flashes of the author's trademark humor in the banter between her crusty coworkers. Beaton makes a shattering statement on the costs of ignorance and neglect endemic in the fuel industry, in both powerful discussions of its sociopolitical ramifications and her own keenly observed personal story." (Publishers Weekly, vol 269, issue 15)

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### Ukulele Group - April 12 (in-person) and 26 (Zoom)



This year we are making some changes in the Ukulele classes to make it more convenient and useful for you.

We'll continue to meet twice a month: the 2nd Wednesday at 3:30 and the 4th Wednesday at 5:30. We will be playing the same music at both sessions. But the focus, time and "venue" have

changed. You have the choice of coming to both or either. Whatever works for you!

The 2nd Wednesday Group will meet in person at the library. That session will focus on the songs for the month in greater detail. It will provide an opportunity to answer any questions you may have from your practice and learn from each other.

The 4th Wednesday Group will meet via Zoom at 5:30 p.m. Here we'll just strum and pluck and yuck it up in the privacy of home — where no one else can hear you making ukulele fun and no one cares about bloop & errors! Less talk and more play.

If you are not already on the music mailing list, please [email to register](#).

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### Trivia Night - April 19



The third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 is trivia night at KFL! Bring a team, join one of our friendly teams of regulars, or take on the challenge solo. Light refreshments will be served.

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## Craft Supply Swap - April 22



Are your closets filling up with craft supplies that you've always told yourself you'd use but are gathering dust? Would you like to try a new craft but haven't gotten around to buying the supplies?

Join us for a craft supply swap on Saturday, April 22 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.! Bring your unused yarn, fabric, drawing, scrapbooking, jewelry-making, wreath making, and other supplies and swap them with fellow crafters! Who knows, maybe you'll end up with

a new favorite hobby!

Donations can be dropped off at the library starting April 1 by appointment only. Donations are limited to two bags or one large tote per person; donations may be denied based on condition at staff discretion. Contact Brittany at [bkashar@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:bkashar@kennebunklibrary.org) to set up a time. Supplies can also be brought during the swap. You don't need to donate in order to attend and take!

Any supplies not taken will be used by the library for programs, donated to local nonprofits, or recycled.

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## Birding with Avian Field Researcher Debbie Lyons - April 24



Join us at the Kennebunk Free Library on Monday, April 24 at 6:00 for an evening full of enlightening data and compelling photographs from birding excursions with Debbie Lyons. Lyons, a Lead Mentor for White Pine Programs, is a Level 2 Tracker and multi-year avian field researcher for the Maine Bird Atlas project. Debbie will share some of the ways she has learned to read the story of the birds' sounds and signs. Get to know our feathered friends and fellow birders a bit more at the library during this informative event. This

program is sponsored by White Pine Programs, the Arundel Conservation Trust, and Kennebunk Free Library.

A seasoned nature-connection mentor, wildlife tracker and kid-loving spirit, Debbie Lyons has a B.S. in Environmental Science from NEC and an M.A. in Environmental Education from UNH. Debbie has been bringing her passion for birds and wildlife tracking to adult and children's programs at White Pine. She gained her naturalist knowledge as a student at White Pine. The last three summers she joined the Maine Bird Atlas team helping to complete the state's 5-year study on all bird populations in the state of Maine. This study included point counts, marsh bird surveys, nightjar surveys, and bird audio analysis.

[Registration is appreciated but not required.](#)

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## Adult Book Discussion - April 25

Join us on Tuesday, April 25 at 1:00 p.m. to discuss *House of Spirits* by Isabel Allende.

*"The House of the Spirits*, the unforgettable first novel that established Isabel Allende as one of the world's most gifted storytellers, brings to life the triumphs and tragedies of three generations of the Trueba family. The patriarch Esteban is a volatile, proud man whose voracious pursuit of political power is tempered only by his love for his delicate wife Clara, a woman

## ISABEL ALLENDE THE HOUSE OF THE SPIRITS



with a mystical connection to the spirit world. When their daughter Blanca embarks on a forbidden love affair in defiance of her implacable father, the result is an unexpected gift to Esteban: his adored granddaughter Alba, a beautiful and strong-willed child who will lead her family and her country into a revolutionary future.

One of the most important novels of the twentieth century, *The House of the Spirits* is an enthralling epic that spans decades and lives, weaving the personal and the political into a universal story of love, magic, and fate." - Amazon

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### Poetry Reading - April 29



Kennebunk Free Library will host a poetry reading on Saturday, April 29 at 1:00 p.m. in the Walker Room. Local poets will read their works and poetry lovers will read some of their favorites written by others. Please join us to listen and enjoy the wonder of words! If you are interested in reading poetry, original or your favorites, please call the library at 207-985-2173, or [register online](#) to sign up for a five-minute time slot.

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### Tech Time - Wednesdays and Thursdays



Are you stuck on a technology question that might need some extra help to be solved? Whether it be trying to use one of the library's digital services, making heads or tails of a new device, or just having a second pair of eyes help troubleshoot a piece of software, don't worry, the library is here to help!

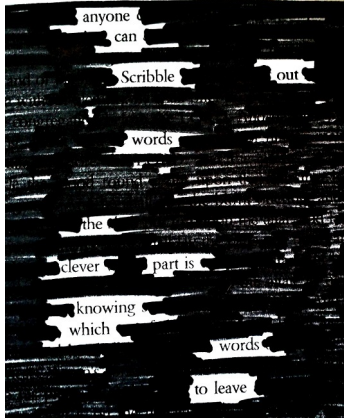
To sign-up for one of our Tech Time appointments, please visit the front desk to be placed on our scheduling sheet. Appointments to meet one-on-one with our Technology Educator can be scheduled

**Wednesdays** from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m., and **Thursdays** from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Appointments are 45 minutes long, but there is always an opportunity to schedule a follow-up appointment if we run over our time limit. When setting up the appointment, help us to better assist you by describing the issue you want to discuss. If possible, also make sure to bring your charged device with you along with any needed usernames and passwords. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to visit us at the desk, call (207) 985-2173, or email our technology educator at [kfl@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:kfl@kennebunklibrary.org) so we can help you further.

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### April Take-and-Make Kit: Blackout Poetry

April is National Poetry Month. Use this month's Take and Make Kit to make your own poetry! Blackout poetry is a mixture of poetry and art made by taking any form of printed text and blacking out the unwanted words to create a poem or statement; each



kit includes recycled book pages and a permanent marker so you can make your own poetry art! Kits will be available starting April 11th, while supplies last.

## Teen Programs

### Chill Gaming - April 6



Ready to chill, eat snacks, and play some games? Come hang out with friends, test out your gaming card decks, play on our Nintendo Switch, try out new RPG board games, or anything else in between for our event, Chill Gaming! Anything that relaxes you is welcome and encouraged! We will meet on the second Thursday of the month, April 6th, from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. The library will provide games, but players are free to bring their own games, learn new games at their own pace, or you can just come to hang out and have a good time listening to some Lo-fi beats! This event is free, wheelchair accessible, and open to Teens ages 10 and up. If you have any questions, see Miss Emmaline in the Children's Room, or call (207) 985-2173.

### The Dragon Hunter and Treasure Seekers Guild - April 10 & 24



Welcome, young adventurers! Come and join in on an exciting quest in the world of Dungeons and Dragons. Open to new and experienced players alike. Because of the holiday break, we will meet on Monday, April 10 & 24 from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. You're welcome to bring in a character from a previous game, to make a new one, or to use one of the pre-made characters provided in the starter set. All other supplies will be provided, just bring your imagination! This event is free, wheelchair accessible, and open to Teens ages 10 and up. New players are encouraged to join in on the adventure. If you have any questions, see Miss Emmaline downstairs in the children's room, or call (207) 985-2173.

## Children's Programs

### 1-2-3, Play With Me!



library – and we’re ready to play with you! In April and May, KFL will host our first 1-2-3, Play With Me! program for ages 0-4 and their caregivers. We’ll have lots of fun toys to explore and friendly faces to see! “A five-week program for young children and their parents/caregivers, this fun, informal, play-based program provides a rich environment of toys, books, and art activities. Families have the opportunity to spend time together, make new friends, and talk one-on-one with a different community resource professional each week.” In April and May we will have the following resource professionals joining us:

- April 20 – Early Literacy with Maria Richardson,

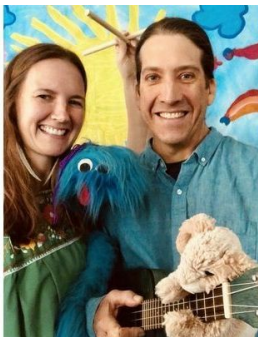
#### KFL

- April 27 – Library Visit Day and Storytime with Miss Allison, KFL
- May 4 – Child Development with Melinda Corey, Help Me Grow Maine
- May 11 – Nutrition with Kelly Roberts, York County Community Health
- May 18 – Speech and Language Development with Amber Morrison and Rebecca Leger, Child Development Services York County
- May 25 – Creative Movement with Abby Nolette, River Tree Arts

This program requires [registration](#). Families will be registering for all 6 program dates and are encouraged to attend as many sessions as possible! Children must be accompanied by a caregiver – we’re here to play together!

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### Week of the Young Child™ Family Fun Day - April 15



Kennebunk Free Library is partnering with York County Early Childhood Coalition and the Maine Association for the Education of Young Children to present a Family Fun Day on April 15. KFL will host a concert by KindKids at 10:00 a.m. A favorite of children and adults alike, Rob Duquette and Amanda “Panda” Duquette offer performances that are interactive and promote a positive message. KindKids’ original music contains important lessons about kindness, mindfulness, compassion, family, friends, resilience, and silliness! KindKids’ performance is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. In addition, the library will offer drop-in crafts

from 11:30-4:00. Children’s artwork supplied by Kennebunk’s public Pre-K will be displayed in the Speers Gallery at the library. If we have nice weather, the concert will be held outdoors. If not, we will be in the Reading Room inside the library.

“The Week of the Young Child™ is an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC), the world’s largest early childhood education association, with nearly 60,000 members and a network of 50 local, state, and regional affiliates. The purpose of the Week of the Young Child™ is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs.”



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### Faerie House Exhibition

It’s faerie house time! Build a faerie house to welcome the faeries back to the garden at Kennebunk Free Library! Faerie houses will be accepted at the library from **April 19-May 2**. We want to display your faerie house in the library! Help us do this by building a house with a base no larger than 14” by 14”, and no taller than 30”. Please use natural materials only! There will be a selection of natural materials available in the library starting



April 1. All faerie houses submitted to the library by May 3 will receive a certificate from the Seacoast Garden Club. Stop by the Faerie Festival on May 6 from 9:30 to 11 and find Miss Maria to receive your certificate! Faerie houses will be on display at the library through May 13. May 13 is the last day to pick up faerie houses. Would you prefer to keep your faerie house at home? Snap a photo and send it to [ys@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:ys@kennebunklibrary.org) by May 3. We will share the photos on our social media! In summary:

- April 1: First day to pick up natural materials at the library to inspire your faerie house
- April 19: First day to bring your faerie house to the library for display
- May 2: Last day to submit your faerie house or a photo of your faerie house to the library
- May 6: Faerie Festival!
- May 13: Last day to pick up your faerie house to take home



### April Storytimes

It's time for Storytime! On Mondays at 10:00 a.m., join Miss Maria for songs, stories, rhymes, and fun! If we have a warm morning, Storytime will be outside the Children's Room. If it's chilly, we'll be inside the library in Hank's Room. Storytimes are designed for ages 2-5, but everyone is welcome! Because of the holiday on April 17, storytime will be held on **Tuesday, April 18**. These events are free and wheelchair accessible. For more information, please call 985-2173. Upcoming storytime dates include:

- April 3
- April 10
- **Tuesday, April 18**
- April 24



### Junior Science - April 3

Thank you, Earth! This month, join us at Junior Science on Monday, April 3 at 3:45 p.m. for Earth Day themed experiments. Grow a plant from a bean, make your own rainclouds, learn all about the rock cycle, and see if you can solve a pollution puzzle! For ages 6+, [registration required](#).

### Beadcraft - April 5

It's time for Beadcraft! Perler Beads - tiny plastic beads that can melt - were first introduced as a craft in Sweden in the 1950's, and we still love them! Children ages 6 and up, or age 5 with a caregiver, are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun on Wednesday, April 5 at 1:00 p.m. What a great way to spend the afternoon on RSU 21's early

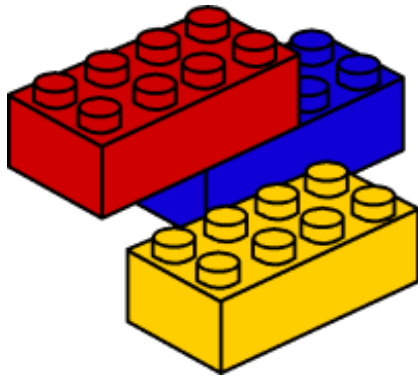


release Wednesday! Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided. [Registration is recommended](#) but not required.



### Furry Tales - April 14

What's better than sharing stories? Sharing stories with a furry friend! Come to Kennebunk Free Library on Friday, April 14 at 11:30 a.m. for our monthly Furry Tales Storytime with Animal Welfare Society. Miss Amanda from AWS will share songs, stories, and fun with us. She'll even bring a furry friend for us to meet! Who will visit us this month? Join us and find out! All ages are welcome to attend. No registration required.



### Lego Club - April 20

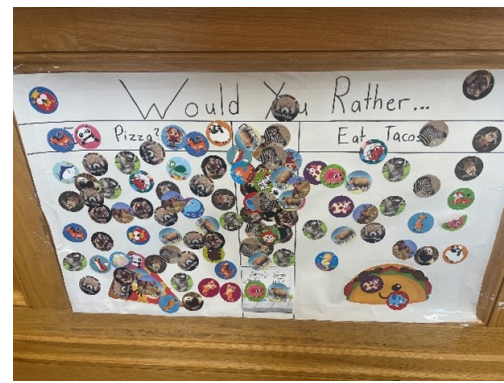
Ready to get building? Kennebunk Free Library is offering a Lego Club for children ages 4 and older. Lego Club will meet on Thursday, April 20, from 3:45-4:30 p.m. Come and build new and imaginative creations or ask the librarian for a challenge to complete. All Lego blocks will be supplied; please leave yours at home. [Registration is appreciated.](#)



### Kindness Club - April 11

In a world where you can be anything, be kind! Join us for our next meeting of Kindness Club on Tuesday, April 11, at 3:45. Come make a lollipop flower to give to a friend or family member. This program is open to ages 6 and up; [registration is appreciated](#) but not required! Kindness has no age requirement – if a friend younger than 6 would like to join in, please reach out to Miss Maria at [mrichardson@kennebunklibrary.org](mailto:mrichardson@kennebunklibrary.org), or 985-2173 x 105. Parents are encouraged to join in! When your little sees you talking about and practicing kindness, they will want to join in even more!

The results for this month's Would You Rather question are in! In February, we asked, "Would you rather eat pizza or tacos?" In the Children's Room, 54 friends wanted to eat pizza, while 25 friends would prefer to eat tacos. 31 friends just couldn't decide and voted for both. At the adult circulation desk, 31 friends would like to eat pizza, and 34 friends would rather eat tacos. 12 would like to eat both. In total, we had 85 votes for pizza, 59 votes for taco, and 43 votes for both. It's a tough question! Which would you choose? Keep an eye out for next month's question and vote for your choice!



## Speers Gallery

### April Artist: Celebrating the Young Child

The Kennebunk Free Library announces its April 4-28, 2023 exhibition, **“Celebrating the Young Child”**, the artwork of the Pre-Kindergarten students at Kennebunk Elementary School.

The exhibit is in recognition of The Week of the Young Child™, an annual celebration sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The purpose of the Week of the Young Child™ is to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet those needs. The 2023 Week of the Young Child™ is April 1 to 7.

RSU 21 has a large public Pre-K program at Kennebunk Elementary and we are so pleased to be sharing our artwork as part of this important focus on young children. The students in Pre-K at KES have enjoyed making art since the first day of school. We believe in the process of exploring materials in order to learn more about the world, and art is one terrific way for us to do so. We have seven classrooms of students and each class selected their own focus for the artwork, so you will be treated to a variety of subjects and processes when you visit the exhibit.

KFL is happy to display these budding artists' work.

*The public is invited to view the exhibit in the library's Speers Gallery from April 4-28 at 112 Main St., Kennebunk, Maine during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs. Please check the library website for current hours and gallery access, [www.kennebunklibrary.org](http://www.kennebunklibrary.org).*



## New Books, Audio Books, and DVDs

*Please note that the new items lists below are updated regularly, but through a quirk of the system, the newest items go to the end of the list. If you want to see the newest arrivals, start on the last page and work your way backward.*

[Click here](#) for a look at books that arrived in the last month.

[Click here](#) for audio/video that arrived in the last month.

[Click here](#) for new children's items that arrived in the last month

[Click here](#) for new teen items that arrived in the last month

**Want to know if we have this week's New York Times bestsellers available in our various collections (print, large print, audio, ebook, eaudio)?**

[Click here](#) to see the fiction and nonfiction best seller list.

### **Books on order for April:**

#### **April 11**

[Dark Angel – John Sandford](#)

[My Heart Will Find You – Jude Deveraux](#)

[Not the Ones Dead – Dana Stabenow](#)

[The Fourth Enemy – Anne Perry](#)

#### **April 18**

[Where Are the Children Now – Marry Higgins Clark and Alafair Burke](#)

[City of Dreams – Don Winslow](#)

[Silver Alert – Lee Smith](#)

[Simply Lies – David Baldacci](#)

[Shadow of Death – Heather Graham](#)

#### **April 25**

[Small Mercies – Dennis Lehane](#)

[Death by Chocolate Marshmallow – Sarah Graves](#)

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## **A Message from the Library Director**

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April is always a very welcome month for many reasons and this year we have even more to celebrate. Our Week of the Young Child program will be held on Saturday, April 15, and the following week a series of programs will start that further highlight youth development. These programs provide education for both caregiver and child, and include topics such as nutrition, literacy, and language development. This series is part of our role in establishing KFL as a Family Place library. For more information on the Week of the Young Child, visit the [Maine Association for the Education of Young Children](#). At this link, you can learn more about [Family Place libraries](#).

Additionally, April is National Poetry month. Join us for a poetry reading on Saturday, April 29. For more information and to register, [please visit this link](#).

Pictured: My daughter (6) has recently figured out that she has a good grasp on reading and has learned that she can leverage that to get what she wants by reading to her brother (3) because who can say no to that?!

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# Staff Picks & Messages

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## Ian, Library Assistant

*Haven* by Emma Donoghue

Two monks follow a mysterious third monk in the hopes of creating a new religious community and end up on one of the Skellig Islands off the coast of Ireland. Reviews I've read about *Haven* mention that it can be a tough read but I found that I couldn't put it down. There's a sense of dread and foreboding that never lets up until the very end of the novel, and not necessarily for the reasons you might expect.

*Riverman* by Ben McGrath

Maybe the closest comparison to this book would be *Into the Wild*, but McGrath's book about a man traveling the country in a plastic canoe, is as much about the river towns that his subject visits and the loneliness of living a life outside of the mainstream.

*Poopsie Gets Lost* by Hannah E. Harrison

Sometimes, children's picture books don't need to impart a lesson. They're allowed to just be fun. *Poopsie's* adventures had my daughter laughing harder than she's laughed in a long time and it has reignited her love of reading books. *Poopsie* even had the power to make my daughter decline an opportunity to watch tv and read instead.

*The Golden Glow* by Benjamin Flouw

Maria always picks out great books for our family, and *The Golden Glow* is no exception. Fox finds that there is no description of the "Golden Glow" plant and sets out to find one for himself. I loved Flouw's illustrations of nature, and the characters were all endearing.

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## Kat, Library Assistant

*Unleashing creativity : an inspirational awakening* by Helen Rousseau, Hillary Zayed, Mary Carol Kennedy, Kerry Kenney, Heather Bruhl.

Local women find like minded people that want to come together to explore and support each other in their creativity. They selected a book as a loose guide to help them come up with "prompts" for writing and art that they share with each other and watch what evolves! Very relatable blocks and fears are dissected with a goal of increasing freedom to express themselves. This group is planning to share their creativity support ideas with others at KFL, the workshop is planned for Saturday June 10, registration is required.

*Edward Hopper* A National Gallery of Art Presentation

My daughter and I saw the *Sunday Morning* segment on the Hooper exhibit at the Whitney Museum and were so excited we planned a trip to NY City. In preparation for our visit, I borrowed this DVD and we both watched it. We became even more excited. Though the museum itself was wonderful, we met some great people and the overall trip was fantastic, the exhibit was anticlimactic. My advice to you: view this 30 minute DVD and learn the best of this American artist.

*Nothing to See Here* by Kevin Wilson

Rarely do I reread a book. This is the exception: I am listening to it for the 4<sup>h</sup> time. It is not literary genius, it is a story of adults that haven't healed from their own childhoods placed in a position of taking care of 10 year old twins with a tragic past and an incredible response to stress. From the crazy cover art to the "unlikely but I want to believe in them characters", I totally enjoy this book. It is a humorous exploration of relationships, from odd-couple friendships to what makes a parent and what definitely does not.

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