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# THE BOOKMARK

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Monthly Newsletter of the Gale Free Library

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## Important News

- The library will be closed on Mon, June 20th in observance of Juneteenth. We will reopen on Tue, June 21st at 9:30am.
- The library is now on its summer schedule. Our hours are Mon 9:30am-5:30pm, Tue-Thurs 9:30am-8:00pm, Fri 9:30am-5:30pm, and Sat 9:00am to 1:00pm.
- This edition of **The Bookmark** does not have a "From the Local History Room" section. It will return to our newsletter in the July edition.
- TELL YOUR FRIENDS – If they need a library card account, they can get a CWMARS ecard!  
Go to <https://catalog.cwmars.org/eg/opac/ecard/form>
- You can view the full schedule for our Children and Teen Summer Reading Programs on our website!

# Adult Programs

Registration for programs is required.

Please email [galefreelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:galefreelibrary@gmail.com) or call 508-210-5569.



## Craft Night for Adults

Thursday, June 2nd at 6:30 PM

This month we will be making  
Mason Jar Sun Catchers.

## Movie Discussion

Wednesday, June 8th at 6:30 PM

Join us as we discuss the 1950 Academy  
Award winning film "All About Eve,"  
starring Bette Davis, Anne Baxter  
and George Sanders.

## Cooking Club

Tuesday, June 14th at 6:30 PM

This month our theme is "Seasonal  
Cooking: Fruits, Vegetables and  
Recipes."

## Classics Book Club

Thursday, June 23rd at 6:30 PM

The book this month is **Shroud for a  
Nightingale** by P.D. James.



## Classic Book Club

**\*Registration Required\***

Thursday, June 16th  
6:30 PM

Shroud for a Nightingale  
By P.D. James

## Cooking Club

**\*Registration Required\***

Tuesday, June 14th  
6:30 PM

June Theme: Seasonal  
Cooking: Fruits, Vegetables  
and Recipes

## Movie Discussion

**\*Registration Required\***

Wednesday, June 8th  
6:30 PM

All About Eve  
1950 (Not Rated)

## Wondrous Read Ahead

Theme 1: LGBTQAI+ Authors

Theme 2: Color Your World - a book  
with a color in the title

Theme 3: As Seen in the Bookmark! -  
Staff Picks

Theme 4: Namesake - Read a book by  
an author with your first  
or last name



# Staff Picks

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Amy

BOOK: ANNA  
BY AMY ODELL

Danielle

BOOK: WE CAME, WE SAW, WE LEFT: A FAMILY GAP YEAR  
BY CHARLES WHELAN

Judy

BOOK: BEFORE I LET YOU GO  
BY KELLY RIMMER

Katy B.

BOOK: THE CHRISTIE AFFAIR  
BY NINA DE GRAMONT

Rachel

BOOK: FRIDGE LOVE: ORGANIZE YOUR REFRIGERATOR FOR A HEALTHIER, HAPPIER LIFE--WITH 100 RECIPES  
BY KRISTEN HONG

Spencer

BOOK: RETIEF!: THE GRAPHIC ALBUM (ADAPTED FROM THE WORK OF KEITH LAUMER)  
BY JAN STRNAD & DENNIS FUJITAKE

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## Book Review

BY JUDY

### Dear Mrs. Bird

By A. J. Pearce

This charming often humorous debut novel is set in 1941 London during WWII.

Emmeline Lake desires to be a fearless female war correspondent. However, she finds herself employed as a typist for Henrietta Bird, an advice columnist at "Woman's Friend" magazine. Mrs. Bird refuses to read or answer any letters with any unpleasantness. Many letters go unanswered from the lovelorn, grief-stricken or morally conflicted until Emmeline decides she simply must help the letter writers and answers secretly. What harm could possibly transpire?

**Dear Mrs. Bird** chronicles the female role in war-torn London. The tale tells us of the enduring power of friendship, the kindness of strangers and the courage of ordinary people in extraordinary times.

If you like this book you might also enjoy the sequel - **Yours Cheerfully**.



## Children's Programs

### **Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading Program**

**Friday, June 17th**

Register in person or online the week of June 17th-June 23rd and receive a limited-edition Gale Free summer reading button and water bottle. Visit our website for more information and to view the full summer schedule.

### **Teddy Bear Picnic**

**Wednesday, June 22nd at 11:30am-12:15pm**

**Library lawn**

Bring your stuffies, your picnic blanket, and lunch! Come celebrate the beginning of summer with our annual Teddy Bear Picnic and concert with Rick Goldin. After the concert, make a bead necklace for your stuffie.

### **Sand-Art Necklace Craft**

**Friday, June 25th at 2:30pm**

**Library lawn (weather permitting; we will move to the Program Room if raining)**

Join Miss Kayla to make a fun sand-art necklace shaped like a sea creature! Best for ages 5+

### **Truck Day!**

**Wednesday, June 29th at 10am-12pm**

**Town parking lot**

They're baaccck! Come see the town fire truck, dump truck, school bus, ambulance, police car and other giant town vehicles. Climb in the cabs, blow the horns, and bring your cameras! Town parking lot, rain or shine.

## Teen Happenings

### **Crochet Club**

**This club is currently FULL. Pick-up on June 14th.**

If you have already registered, your registration is automatically carried over. Any questions, please email Miss Kayla at [galefreeteens@gmail.com](mailto:galefreeteens@gmail.com).

### **Baking Club**

**Register by June 3rd. Pick-up on June 14th.**

New recipe each month. We will provide the dry ingredients, recipe, and a QR code linked to our "how to" video. Registration is required each month. See website for more details and registration link.

### **Pay It Forward Club**

**Register by June 3rd. Pick-up on June 14th.**

Each month will be a different charity with a new project. You pick up the materials, which we provide, then create or collect the items and bring them back to the library by the drop-off date. The library will send them off to the cause, working together to pay it forward! See website for more details and registration link.

### **Oceans of Possibilities Summer Reading Program**

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### **Young Adult Book of the Month Club**

**Register by June 17th. Pick-up on June 28th.**

Have you heard of all those young-adult subscription book boxes and wished you could join the fun? Now you can, with the Gale Free Library Young Adult Book of the Month Club! Each surprise book of the month comes in a tote bag, which will also include bookish goodies such as bookmarks, buttons, stickers, and more, all for you to keep! Supplies are limited and sign-up is REQUIRED. Visit our website for more details (find them under teen upcoming programs).

### **Sea-Glass Suncatcher Craft**

**Tuesday, June 28th at 6pm**

**Library lawn (weather permitting, we will move to the Program Room if raining)**

Join Miss Kayla to make an original sea-glass suncatcher, sure to brighten up any room this summer! See website for more details and registration link.

## Children's Department



## Story Times

**BABY LAPSIT STORY TIME  
Resumes on June 23rd  
Thursdays at 10:00am  
Program Room**

Lapsit story time is for children ages 2 and under. Join Miss Kayla for songs, felt board stories, short picture book stories, and more. This story time will focus on routine and repetition and early literacy skills like ABCs and 123s.

**PRESCHOOL STORY TIME  
Resumes on June 23rd  
Thursdays at 11:00am  
Program Room**

Preschool story time is for children ages 3-6. Join Mr. Kevin for lots of laughs and fun stories! This story time will focus on picture book stories, and include some games or activities—and of course Mr. Kevin's great sense of humor!



# Children's Department

## Staff Picks

Kayla

**BOOK (AGES 3+)**

**THE BLUR**

**WRITTEN BY MINH LE'**

**ILLUSTRATED BY DAN SANTAT**

**BOOK (AGES 4+)**

**ONCE UPON A FOREST**

**WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY**

**PAM FONG**

Stephanie

**BOOK (AGES 5+)**

**MINDFUL MR. SLOTH**

**WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY**

**KATY HUDSON**

**BOOK (AGES 3+)**

**I LIKE THIS, YOU LIKE THAT**

**WRITTEN BY LINDA ASHMAN**

**ILLUSTRATED BY EVE COY**

**BOOK (YOUNG ADULT)**

**THE FOUNTAINS OF SILENCE**

**WRITTEN BY RUTA SEPETYS**



## Children's Book Review

BY KIRKUS REVIEWS. ISSUE: MAY 15, 2022

### **I WANT TO BE A VASE**

Written by Julio Torres; Illustrated by Julian Glander

Ages 4-7

Oh, the things you can be!

A toilet plunger announces it wants to be a vase. Despite reasonable dissenting arguments from its bathroom neighbors, the plunger can't be swayed. This angers the imperious vacuum cleaner, who insists that things should stick to their everyday jobs. Its firm opposition doesn't faze the plunger, who wants what it wants. Soon, other household items climb aboard the self-actualization train; the saucepan decides to be a trash can, for instance. (One riotous page depicts improbable uses for other common appliances.) The vacuum really loses it when the hair dryer announces its desire to be...a vacuum cleaner, prompting the vacuum to furiously spew dirt everywhere. Happily, with the hair dryer's help, the vacuum soon has the place spotless and grudgingly compliments the plunger's flowers.

The premise is odd but comical and certainly original; children will giggle contemplating different uses for everyday gadgets. Kids are great at pretending and playing imaginative games, so they won't have trouble buying into the whimsy on offer. They'll appreciate the reassuring, empowering message to be who you are if that makes you happy, and the collaboration and acceptance themes will resonate. The colorful digital illustrations, featuring dollhouse-like miniatures representing common household goods, are very appealing. Varying typefaces and fonts signal different voices "spoken" by the objects. Note the hilarious final declaration from the book itself. Great for stimulating creative thinking and art activities: What else can ordinary objects be?