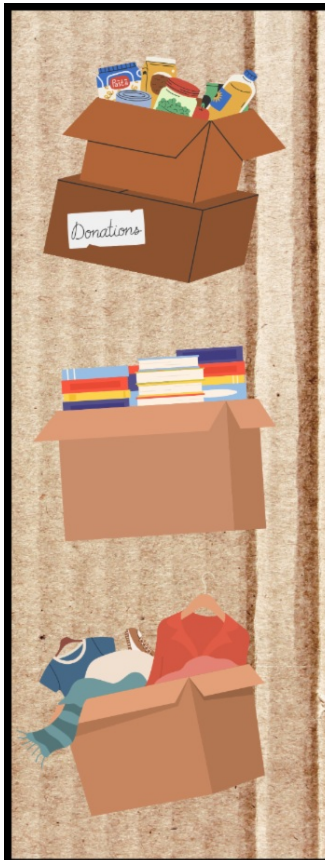


## Sharon Public Library Monthly Newsletter December 2023

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### From the Director



### DONATION

### NOTICE

Please note that the Sharon Public Library **may not act as a depository for donations** on behalf of any organization's collection/drive; this includes nonprofit organizations.

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Donations to the Friends of the Sharon Public Library's **annual Used Book Sale** in May will only be accepted within the April-May collection dates.



### Announcements



Happy  
Holidays



*from your friends at Sharon Public Library*



# Happy Holidays

from your friends at Sharon Public  
Library!

## Holiday Schedule:

- **Saturday, December 23rd** | Early Closure at 2pm
- **Monday, December 25th** | Closed All Day
- **Monday, January 1st** | Closed All Day

Collection News



# JUNJI ITO

IS COMING TO THE SPL COLLECTION!



Available in the **adult graphic novel section**;  
books will be added to the collection **through the end of 2023**.



## Looking for new horror stories?

**Look no further: Junji Ito incoming to SPL's adult graphic novel collection!**

While some books are available to be borrow from our collection now, we will continue to add the other titles, as shown, up until the end of 2023.

### Titles will include:

- Tomie
- Uzumaki
- Frankenstein
- Gyo
- Cat Diary: Yon & Mu
- Deserter
- Lovesickness
- Smashed
- Shiver
- Sensor
- Venus in the Blind Spot
- Liminal Zone
- Tombs
- Soichi
- Mimi's Tales of Horror

*Get ready to get your spook on!*

# Online Spotlight

## SPL Website Forms

Our website includes a number of forms for direct access to popular library services. These forms are located on the 'How Do I' and 'Services' tabs on the Library's [website](#). Please note - in order for staff to best serve patrons, forms should be completed in full.

**Suggest a Purchase.** We are happy to accept suggestions from SPL patrons to purchase items for our collections. Please note that your library card number is required so that we may place your hold on the requested item.

Complete the **Suggest a Program** form if you would like to present a program at the Library, or to suggest a program or presenter for our consideration.

To enroll in the ESOL program, complete the **Learn English** form. Your information will be sent to the ESOL Coordinators at Stoughton Public Library who will contact you directly.

**The Cynthia B. Fox Community Room** is a general-purpose meeting room that is available free of charge to non-profit organizations for educational, recreational, and civic purposes. For-profit organizations must pay a fee of \$50 per request. All requests must be made via the **Reserve the Community Room** form. The Director must approve all requests.

The Library has designated spaces for the display of artwork in the Community Room and other areas of the building. Prior to completing the **Request to Exhibit** form, please come in to the Library to see if our spaces will work for you.

**Curbside Pickup** is available by reservation to patrons who complete the form.

Sharon cardholders may request to borrow items from outside the OCLN network by submitting the **Interlibrary Loan** request form in 'Borrow from Other Libraries'.

## How Do I

### Sign Up for a Library Card

Borrow from Other Libraries

Place a Hold

Renew an Item

Pay Fines

Suggest a Purchase

Suggest a Program

Volunteer

Learn English

Reserve the Community Room

Request to Exhibit

## Services

### Library Card, Loan Periods, Renewals & Fines

Museum Passes

Curbside Pickup

Library on Wheels/Home Delivery

Computers & Internet

Print, Scan, Copy

Sharon Public Library (MA) Mobile App

Borrow from Other Libraries

Ask a Librarian

Adult Literacy / ESOL / Learn English

Reserve the Community Room

And last - but not least! - patrons are always welcome to contact the Adult Services Librarians with brief reference or research questions via the **Ask A Librarian** form.



## Tech Talk



Don't miss the **final 2023\***  
**'Getting Started with Libby' Zoom Webinar!**

**Wednesday, December 6th**  
**11:00 AM on Zoom**

Still have questions regarding the Libby app? From downloading the app & signing in, to searching & borrowing titles, placing holds, adjusting reading settings, and more - Overdrive's Libby experts are ready to get you started.

The session will close with a mini-quiz and live Q&A.

[Register here](#)

Unable to attend the final webinar of 2023? No worries! **The OverDrive team is currently scheduling additional webinars for 2024\***. Finalized 2024 dates include:

- *Wednesday, January 10th at 2:00 PM*
- *Wednesday, February 7th at 11:00 AM*
- *Wednesday, March 6th at 2:00 PM*

*\*SPL does not facilitate these virtual programs.*

## Out of the Archives



*In preparation for the new Library, we have embarked on a project to organize our local history archival collection. Some very interesting items are being unearthed and will be featured as part of this monthly newsletter by Information Services Librarian, Arielle Nathanson.*

This month's feature is:

## The Sharon Sanitarium for Pulmonary Diseases

Sharon is well known for being naturally beautiful. Now consider if that beauty were believed to cure illness. As unusual as that may seem, in the late 1800s when Tuberculosis (TB) was running rampant throughout Europe and the United States, that's exactly what people thought. It was hypothesized that clean air, naturesque landscapes, fresh groundwater and lots of rest were the best ways to cure pulmonary illnesses.

[[click here](#) for the full article]



## Youth Services

**DECEMBER 2023**

Register for all programs on the library website!  
Scan or visit [tinyurl.com/spt-cal](http://tinyurl.com/spt-cal)

Recommended Program  
Age Ranges  
Babies/Toddlers  
Preschool  
Grades K-2  
Grades 3-5  
All Ages

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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1 10:30 AM Stories and Stories	2 10:00 AM Story Time at Patriot Place	3 4:00 PM Caring Cards	4 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time	5 4:00 PM Holiday Card Workshop with Kashemica	6 10:00 AM Books and Books 2:00 PM Books and Books	7 10:00 AM Stories and Stories
8 10:30 AM Stories and Stories	9 4:30 PM Nonsense Nuth	10 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time	11 4:00 PM Crazy Coloring	12 10:00 AM Books and Books	13 10:30 AM Stories and Stories	14 4:30 PM Nonsense Nuth
15 10:30 AM Stories and Stories	16 4:30 PM Seasonal Science	17 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time	18 4:30 PM Leggins	19 1:00 AM Books and Books	20 10:30 AM Stories and Stories	21 4:30 PM Seasonal Sensory Stations
22 Library Closed	23 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time	24 4:30 PM Craftsman: Fall Lanterns	25 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time	26 2:00 PM Pumpkin Patch Bingo!	27 Library Closes at 2PM	28 10:00 AM Whimsical Winter Story Time

Calendar is subject to change. For the most up to date information, check our website: [Sharonpubliclibrary.org](http://Sharonpubliclibrary.org)

## Youth Services Programs

Check the Youth Services calendar for this month's programs (*click calendar for full-sized view*). Register for events on [our website's Event Calendar](#).

For more information, contact Children's Librarian [Rachael Savage](#) or Tween/Teen Librarian [Amy Greil](#).

## Tween/Teen Instagram Raffle

Do you follow our tween and teen Instagram





## INSTAGRAM NEW FOLLOWER RAFFLE

account? If not, December is a great time to start.

All you need to do is follow [instagram.com/sharontweensteens](https://www.instagram.com/sharontweensteens) before the end of the month.

In January, we will pick a winner from our new followers who will receive a \$25.00 gift card to Barnes and Noble!



## Caring Cards (All Ages)

**December 6th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM**

Patrons of all ages are invited to stop by the Community Room to create a holiday greeting card for the residents of Foremost at Sharon. Come sip on a cup of hot chocolate, get creative, and spread holiday cheer to our neighbors! This program does not require registration; just drop in at any point between 4:00 and 5:30 PM.

Contact Youth Services Librarian Rachael at [rsavage@sharon.ocln.org](mailto:rsavage@sharon.ocln.org) with any questions.

## Upcoming Programs



*Virtual*

## Steeped in Secrecy: The Boston Tea Party, 250 Years Later

**December 16th at 2:00 PM via Zoom**

The story of tea has always been infused with intrigue, particularly when it became a flash point for tensions between England and Colonial America. Learn about the brewing political problems tea presented in its history, with Anglophile and former UK resident, Claire Evans. Next, author/genealogist/librarian, and former UK resident, Debra Dudek, examines the history of the Boston Tea Party's most famous partiers (and phonies), as well as how to trace *bona fide* participants through lineage societies and historical groups.

*Presented in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library, with additional*

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[More information here](#)

Registration Required.

## Ongoing Programs



### Sharon Public Library Book Discussion Group

*In-Person*

December 21st @ 1:00 - 2:30 PM

*The Reading List* by Sara Nisha Adams

The SPL Book Discussion Group meets from Sept - June on the 4th Thursday of each month @ 1:00-2:30 PM in the Library's Community Room.  
No registration required!

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[2023-2024 Book Titles and Meeting Dates](#)

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For more information, please contact  
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