Library Newsletter
March/April 2020

123 Main Street, Watertown
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Holiday Closures
Easter Sunday
Sun. 4/12: Closed all day
Patriots’ Day
Mon. 4/20: Closed all day

Community Yoga
Wednesdays | 9:15-10:30 am
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK RM.
Drop-in yoga sessions open to ages 12 & up. Please bring your own yoga mat and small blanket. Limited to the first 30 people, so arrive early!

Fix-It Clinic at Hatch
Wednesdays | 7–9 pm
HATCH MAKERSPACE, 20 SUMMER STREET
WFPL’s Hatch Makerspace is now offering a weekly Fix-It Clinic drop in, free and open to all. Stop by Hatch on Wednesday evenings to learn how to fix your broken appliances, with an emphasis on electronics and robotics. Bring, build, brainstorm!

Sharing a New Song: A Concert with Fabiola Mendez
Sunday, 4/5 | 2 pm | WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM
Join us for an afternoon of music celebrating Puerto Rico! Fabiola M. Mendez is a Puerto Rican cuatro player that has taken part in a musical movement, crossing over the lines of genres such as folkloric, jazz & Latin. Her celebrated recent album Al Otro Lado del Charco (2019), reflects on the experience of being a Latina immigrant to the United States.

Comrade JG – Swing, blues, and classical ensemble
Sunday, 3/8 | 2 PM | WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM

Movie Mondays
Mondays | 6:30 pm
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK RM.
Movies are free and open to all. Popcorn available for just 50¢!
3/02: Midway [PG-13]
3/09: Jojo Rabbit [PG-13]
3/16: Knives Out [PG-13]
3/23: Bombshell [R]
3/30: Queen & Slim [R]
4/06: Dark Waters [PG-13]
4/13: Little Women [PG]
4/20: [No Movie Tonight]
4/27: 1917 [R]

Democracy Talks:
What Is the Census and Why Is Everyone Talking About It?
Weds. 4/22 | 7 pm | SAVINGS BANK ROOM
Carly Bari, Partnership Specialist for the Census Bureau, will illuminate the history of the U.S. census, explain its significance today, and address your questions.
For Adults

Death Café *
Tuesday, 4/7 | 6:30 pm | MASTRANGELO ROOM
Come with an open mind and a willingness to share your thoughts, feelings, and questions about death. Neither a support group nor venue for bereavement, host Richard Davis creates a non-judgmental setting to discuss this complex and often taboo subject.

Kitchen Tips and Tricks from Seasoned Magazine *
Sunday, 3/29 | 2 pm | SAVINGS BANK ROOM
John "Doc" Willoughby, Editor of Seasoned magazine, will demonstrate useful tips to keep produce in good shape longer, and six tricks that will make your kitchen a more efficient place to work. Perfect for those who would like to cook more and healthier meals at home!

Live Well Watertown

THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS ARE CO-SPONSORED BY LIVE WELL WATERTOWN, A PROGRAM OF THE WATERTOWN HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Spring into Healthy Living! (6-Week Class) *
Wednesdays 3/25–4/29 | 1 pm
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM
This series will focus on healthy and mindful eating, as well as integrating movement into everyday life. Join us!

Herbs and Spices for Flavorful Cooking *
Tuesday, 4/28 | 6:30 pm
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM
Learn how to grow herbs (inside or outside) and use them to enhance your meals. Handouts, recipes, samples of fresh, dried, and frozen herbs, as well as mini-tastings will be part of the program. Questions and conversation welcome!

Howie Newman’s (Musical) Baseball Show
Wednesday, 4/1 | 7 pm
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM
Calling all baseball fans! Celebrate the Red Sox with us on the eve of opening day 2020. Howie Newman, a sports-writer from the Red Sox beat, will present music and trivia, including a Q&A session. With experience writing for the Boston Globe, the Patriot Ledger, the Lynn Item, and the Lowell Sun, Howie will draw on his local baseball knowledge and love of music to present a unique, interactive, and highly entertaining program. Expect to hear classic baseball tunes including a few Red Sox fan favorites!

Call for Yarn Donations
WFPL and HATCH Makerspace are planning an exciting civic engagement project and we’re seeking yarn donations to make it possible. Donate your old or unused yarn to the Library (at the Reference Desk) or HATCH (20 Summer Street). We’ll share more about this project soon!

Watertown Knits: Knitting and Fiber Art Group
Thursdays | 4–5:30 pm
RAYA STERN TRUSTEES ROOM
Do you like to knit, crochet, or sew? Do you want to socialize and stitch with others while you craft? Join us! All experience levels are welcome.

* You must register for any event marked with a red asterisk. Registration begins 3 weeks prior to event at the Reference Desk, 617-972-6436, or wfpl.eventbrite.com
Library Insiders
1st Mondays, 3/2 & 4/6 | 10 am
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM
Library Insiders is designed to give adults with developmental and cognitive disabilities an engaging library experience with crafts, games, and more. On 3/2 we’ll be making button art. On 4/6 we’ll be watching a movie! Email alambert@watertown-ma.gov at least one week prior to the event date to register and save a spot.

C.R.A.F.T. *
3/15 | 3 PM | HATCH MAKERSPACE
4/26 | 3 PM | MASTRANGELO ROOM
C.R.A.F.T. is a series of free DIY workshops for adults. In March, learn how to make a drum-leaf bound book at HATCH Makerspace (20 Summer Street). In April, pamper yourself with homemade bath products!

VIBRANT: Visually Impaired Blind Recipients Accessing New Technology *
Mondays 3/16 and 4/27 | 1–5 PM
LUCIA MASTRANGELO ROOM
If you or a loved one is visually impaired, and would like to use assistive technology, sign up for a one-hour session. VIBRANT trainers take the fear out of learning through repetition and conversation.

Immigration Clinic
Wednesdays 3/18 & 4/15
6:30-8:30 pm | STUDY ROOM 3
WFPL and Kandilian Law Offices welcome you to attend this monthly clinic offering free legal advice to our immigrant community.

Watertown Social Services Resource Sessions *
Tuesdays 3/3 & 4/7 | 12–2 pm
Wednesdays 3/18 & 4/22 | 5–7 pm
STUDY ROOM 3 | 3/18 IN TRUSTEES ROOM
Social Services Resource Specialists can help Watertown residents access fuel, food, housing, addiction, and counseling resources. Sign up for a 30-minute consultation.

Between the Lines: Drop-in Coloring for Adults
Sundays 3/15 & 4/19 | 2 pm
RAYA STERN TRUSTEES ROOM
Add some color to TV characters, intricate animals, travel scenes, and a few expletives for good measure. Materials and snacks provided.

Cook the Books (Potluck)
2nd Wednesdays 3/11 & 4/1 | 7 pm
RAYA STERN TRUSTEES ROOM
Bring a prepared dish (and the cookbook the recipe came from) to share with the group. Each month we sample foods from a different theme. Make sure you come hungry!
3/11: Russian Food
4/1: Passover

Wednesday Book Group
1st Wednesdays | 7 pm
LUCIA MASTRANGELO ROOM
Books are available at the Circulation Desk about a month before the scheduled meeting date. Join us!
3/4: The Secrets We Kept by Lara Prescott (One Book, One Watertown 2020 selection)
4/1: Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
5/6: The Weight of Water by Anita Shreve

Mystery Lovers Book Group
2nd Tuesdays 3/10 & 4/14 | 7 pm
RAYA STERN TRUSTEES ROOM
Mystery lovers! Let’s come together to discuss the mystery books we love. There is no assigned reading.

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**For Teens**

*GRADES 6-12. EVENTS TAKE PLACE IN THE TEEN ROOM UNLESS SPECIFIED.*

**Teen Open Craft**
Saturdays | 10 am

**Monday Night Magic (the Gathering)**
Alternating Mondays, 3/2, 3/16, 3/30, 4/13, 4/27 | 6 pm

**DIY Lip Balm**
Thursday, 3/12 | 3:30 pm

**Dungeons and Dragons**
Weds. 3/18 & 4/15 | 3:30 pm
Learn more and register at the Teen Desk or 617-972-6437.

**Blackout Poetry**
Thursday, 4/2 | 3:30 pm
April is National Poetry Month and we’ll be making Blackout Poetry!

**Teen Open Mic Night**
Wednesday, 4/8 | 7 pm
WATERTOWN SAVINGS BANK ROOM

**Nintendo Switch**
4/21, 4/22, 4/23, 4/24 | 2 pm
Play Switch during Spring Break!

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**For Children**

**Showa Boston Bilingual Sing Along**
Monday, 3/16 | 4 pm
Sing and learn about Japanese writing, origami, and toys. **ALL AGES**

**Arabic Story Time**
Thurs, 3/26 | 10:15 am | **AGES 2–6**

**Powers Music School Musical Story Time**
Saturday, 4/11 | 10:15 am
Powers Music School will present *Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast* by Josh Funk. **ALL AGES**

**Hampstead Stage Company: Aladdin**
Wednesday, 4/22 | 4 pm
Aladdin comes to life! **GRADES K–5**

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**Computer and Tech Classes**

*LUCIA MASTRANGELO ROOM*

- Registration begins three weeks prior at the Reference Desk, 617-972-6436, or wfpl.eventbrite.com

**Microsoft Excel (Part 1)**
Saturday, 3/14 | 2 pm

**Google Sheets and Docs**
Thursday, 3/19 | 6:30 pm
This class will cover the basics of using Google Sheets (Google spreadsheets), and Google Docs (Google word processing documents). These are Google’s answer to Microsoft Excel and Word.

**Microsoft Excel (Part 2)**
Saturday, 3/21 | 2 pm

**Introduction to HTML/CSS (2-Session Class)**
Tuesdays, 4/21 & 4/28 | 6:30 pm
Have you ever wondered what makes a web page? Learn more about coding with a “byte”-sized introduction to the basics of HTML and CSS, including usage, history, and purpose. Participants will hand-code a basic website and customize its appearance.

**Drop-In Tech Help**
3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/16, 4/30
10–NOON | STUDY ROOM 3

3/12, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23
7–9 pm | TRUSTEES ROOM

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Stay up to date with bimonthly class schedules and new offerings delivered straight to your inbox!
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