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WHAT'S HAPPENING

FREE EVENTS, SERVICES, & MORE! - SEPTEMBER 2025

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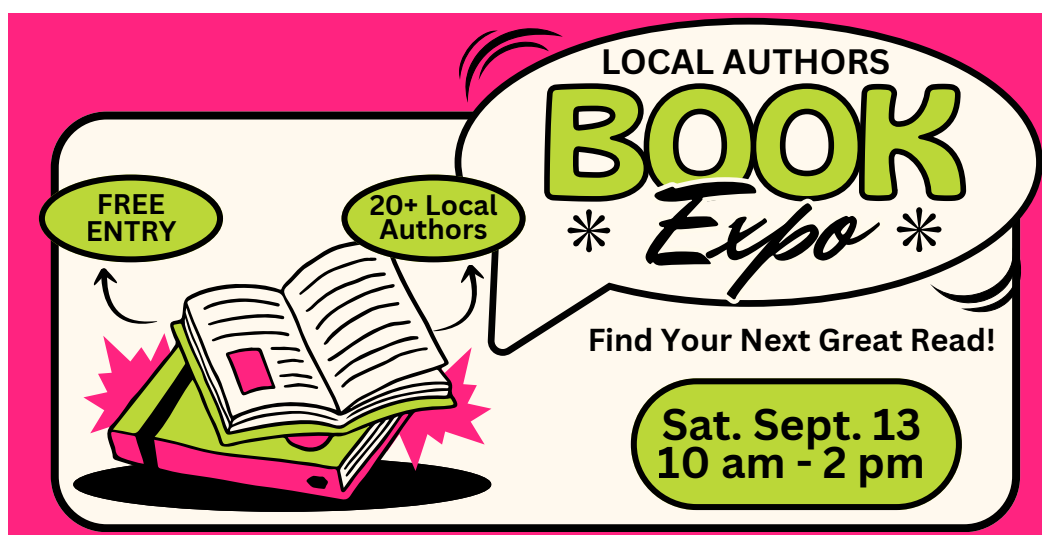
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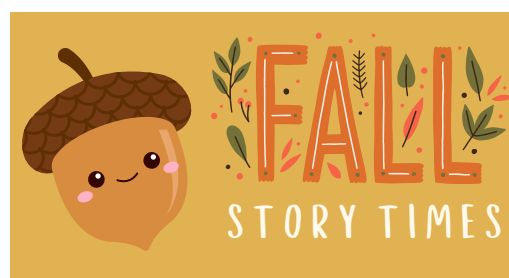
Library Hours
Mon - Thurs: 9 am - 9 pm
Fri - Sat: 9 am - 4:30 pm
Sunday: 12 - 4 pm

Follow Us!



Local Authors Book Expo

Join us from 10 am to 2 pm on Saturday, September 13 for the Local Authors Book Expo, a celebration of the rich literary talent right here in Rhode Island! Meet a diverse group of local authors from across the state, discover new books in a variety of genres, and connect with the writers who call Rhode Island home. **pg. 5**



Fall Story Times

Story time returns to 4 days per week! Family Story Time (outdoors!) on Tuesdays and Fridays and Babies & Board Books (indoors!) on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Can't wait to see you again! **pg. 4**



Free Concert!

Give your ears a treat and take in the original and popular music of The Aromatics on Tues. Sept. 30 at 6:30 pm. Enjoy entertaining, acoustic music that will make you smile and pull at your heart strings. **pg. 2**

FOR ADULTS

FILMS

First Friday Documentary Series: Is There Anybody Out There [🔗](#)

FRI. SEPT. 5 AT 1 PM

Born with a rare disability, filmmaker Ella Glendining wonders if there is anyone who can share the experience of living in a body like hers. This simple question—one which non disabled people take for granted.
2023 - 1 hr 27 mins - Not rated

Documentary Film: Thirst for Justice [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 9 AT 7 PM

Armed with facts and their illnesses, extraordinary citizens take on industry and government, risking arrest to protect clean water. From Flint to the Navajo Nation, via Standing Rock, this is their story.
2019 - 1 hr 10 mins - Not Rated



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Documentary & Discussion: Descendant [🔗](#)

SUN. SEPT. 21 AT 1 PM
WED. SEPT. 24 AT 6:30 PM

Documentary filmmaker Margaret Brown returns to her hometown of Mobile, Alabama to document the search for and historic discovery of The Clotilda, the last known ship to arrive in the United States, illegally carrying enslaved Africans.
2022 - 1 hr 49 mins - PG



Movie Night: Karate Kid: Legends [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 23 AT 6:30 PM

After kung fu prodigy Li Fong relocates to New York City, he attracts unwanted attention from a local karate champion and embarks on a journey to enter the ultimate karate competition with the help of Mr. Han and Daniel LaRusso.
2025 - 1 hr 45 mins - Rated PG-13

GET CREATIVE

Adult Crafternoon: DIY Memory Boxes [🔗](#)

THURS. SEPT. 11 AT 2 PM

Join us for a fun crafternoon and decorate a memory box. A memory box is a container, often decorative, that holds items of sentimental value, cherished mementos, or objects that evoke specific memories. It serves as a tangible way to preserve and revisit important memories.

Adult Craft Evening: Needle Felted Toadstools [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 16 AT 6:30 PM

Join us for a fun Adult Craft Evening and make a cute needle felted toadstool (mushroom). No experience necessary! This is a beginner friendly project! All supplies will be provided.

Acrylic Painting with John Irwin [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 23 AT 6 PM

Join local artist, John Irwin, for this acrylic painting class. No prior painting experience (or talent) is required! John will take the class step-by-step through the process of recreating a famous masterpiece or one of his own works of art. All materials will be supplied and participants can expect to leave with a completed painting!

Acrylic Painting with BHS Student Artist Keta Douglas [🔗](#)

SAT. SEPT. 27 AT 11 AM

Join Barrington High School student and artist Keta Douglas in this fun acrylic painting class. All supplies will be provided and no experience necessary.

PLEASE NOTE:

Due to the popularity of some of our arts & crafts programs, we kindly ask if you have attended an acrylic painting class or felting class in the past, please refrain from registering until other community members have the opportunity to register.

TECH CLASSES

Udemy Free Courses [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 9 AT 10 AM

Learn how to access Udemy which can help improve your career skills or further develop a personal interest with access to more than 4,000 on-demand video courses.

Microsoft 365 [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 16 AT 10 AM

Learn about Outlook, OneDrive, Word, Excel, and PowerPoint and how to use these apps to increase their productivity and efficiency.

Google Workspace [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 23 AT 10 AM

Learn about Gmail, Drive, Docs, Sheets, and Slides and how to use these apps to increase their productivity and efficiency.

MUSIC

Adult String Instrument Workshop with Community Strings Project [🔗](#)

THURS. SEPT. 25 AT 6:30 PM

Adults are invited to join members of the String Orchestra and Guitar Ensemble for a brief concert followed by a meet-and-greet with the musicians and their instruments. This is a great opportunity to get up close and personal with a violin, viola, cello, bass, and classical guitar and get an introduction to Community String Project's programs.

The Aromatics Free Concert [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 30 AT 6:30 PM

Give your ears a treat and take in the original and popular music of The Aromatics. Enjoy entertaining, acoustic music that will make you smile and pull at your heart strings.



HEALTH & WELLNESS

Monday Morning Yoga [🔗](#)

MON. SEPT. 8 AT 9:30 AM
MON. SEPT. 22 AT 9:30 AM

Experience movement sequences designed to open up, tone and bring balance to your body. Patrons will be guided in through movement, breathwork and meditation techniques to best rest, restore, and reset. Must be able to move from the floor to standing without assistance.

Grief Yoga [🔗](#)

SUN. SEPT. 21 AT 1 PM

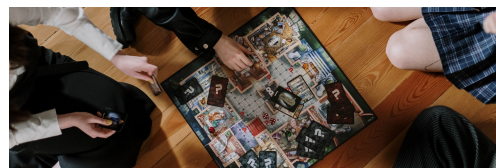
Join Kim Bernardo for this specialized yoga class. Grief Yoga uses yoga, movement, breath and sound to release pain and suffering to reconnect back to love. This gentle class is designed to help griever find peace through movement and meditation.

Meditation for Brain Health [🔗](#)

WED. SEPT. 24 AT 6:30 PM

Join Dr. Alan Post, Chiropractic Physician and long time meditator for an engaging lecture on how meditation benefits one's brain health as well as one's well-being. Dr. Post will also share a simple and effective meditation technique which has lasting benefits.

GET TOGETHER



Board Game Night [🔗](#)

MON. SEPT. 8 AT 6 PM
MON. SEPT. 22 AT 6 PM

Board Game Night returns to the library! Adults 18+ are invited to join us for a fun Board Game Night in the Collis Family Gallery. This event is free and we will have snacks for you to enjoy while you play. We will have board games on hand but you are welcome to bring your own as well.

LEARN TO DANCE

Learn the Witch Dance [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 9 AT 6 PM

All are welcome to join Southern New England Chapter Witch Dancers and learn the famous Witch Dance! No dance experience is required, just an open and positive attitude. Wear comfy shoes and bring a stick or a broom. *Please note: This group is for entertainment & fun! You do not need to be Witch, Pagan, or Wiccan to take part.*

WRITING WORKSHOP

Write to Grow Workshop: Growing Gratitude [🔗](#)

MON. SEPT. 29 AT 6 PM

Join Hannah Little for this special writing workshop. Tap into creativity and nostalgia as we reflect on what we're grateful for: the big things and the little things, from the past and in the present.

GARDENING

The History and Future of Save the Bay: A Story of Resilience and Hope [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 16 AT 1 PM

Join the Barrington Garden Club for a presentation on the history and future of Save the Bay featuring Topher Hamblett, executive director of Save The Bay. Registration required for non-Garden Club members only.

Food Growing Neighborhoods: Planning for a Neighborhood Growing System [🔗](#)

THURS. SEPT. 18 AT 6:30 PM

Join Daniel Penengo of Digging Education for an interactive workshop and opportunity to gather with your neighbors to plan and conceptualize our neighborhood food growing system. We will map our neighborhoods for best growing areas, resources, and shared spaces and learn to grow food together by reimagining boundaries, landscapes, and community.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUPS

Monthly Adult Book Chat [🔗](#)

WED. SEPT. 3 AT 11 AM

VIRTUAL

This BYO book chat allows participants to talk about a book they read recently and leave with a bunch of new book suggestions!

Historical Fiction Book Discussion Group [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 23 AT 1:30 PM

If you love historical fiction books, this group is for you! We will discuss the book's literary merit and historical elements. Discussion questions will be provided, and readers are encouraged to bring their own research and insight into the work's subject. Our September book pick is *This Tender Land* by William Kent Krueger.

Other Book Discussion Groups

These groups are currently full. Please email Librarian Ben Hanley at bhanley@barringtonlibrary.org to be placed on a waiting list.

- Literary Pairings (hybrid)
- Mystery & Thriller



Check the website for our other
Book Discussion Groups!

COOKBOOK CLUB

Fall Cookbook Club [🔗](#)

TUES. SEPT. 30 AT 6:30 PM
TUES. OCT. 14 AT 6:30 PM

Adults are invited to join us for the Fall Session of cookbook club! The book for Fall 2025 is *Lidia's Italy in America* by Lidia Matticchio Bastianich.

In our first meeting, we will discuss the author, book introduction, layout, and recipe map, and then set the menu for the next meeting and decide who will bring what. Then for our second meeting, everyone will make a dish at home, and bring it to our potluck dinner.

Must attend both sessions.



All children's programs are free and open to all ages and abilities. However, age recommendations are intended for parental guidance.

Kids under 10 are not permitted in the Children's Room unattended.

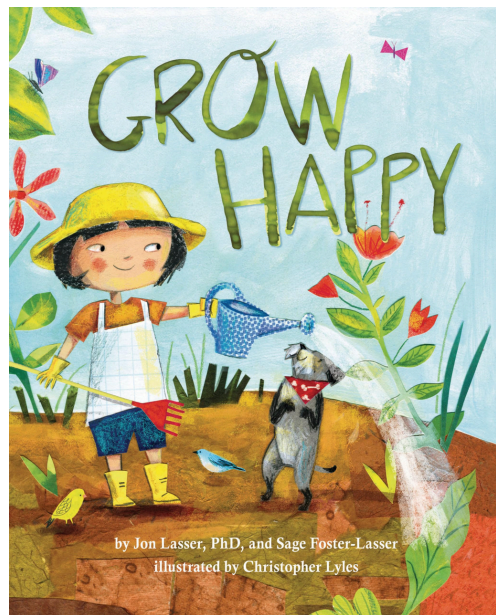
SPECIAL STORY TIME

Saturday Story Time

SAT. SEPT. 6 AT 10 AM

Start your Saturday with a Story Time! We will meet outdoors at TapIn Turf, the lower, grassy field to the right of the library entrance. Pack a snack, something to sit on & enjoy!

STORY WALK



Story Walk Along the Resilience Garden at Barrington Government Center

THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30

Take a stroll along the walkway by the Resilience Garden at Barrington Government Center, and enjoy the story Grow Happy by Jon Lasser and Sage Foster-Lasser.

The Story Walk along the Resilience Garden at Barrington Government Center is funded by a grant from the Office of Library and Information Services (OLIS).

STORY TIMES

Outdoor Family Story Time

TUESDAYS AT 10 AM

FRIDAYS AT 11 AM

Share stories and songs together in Tap-in Turf! Drop-in.

When indoors: Space is limited to 35 attendees. Once capacity is reached, exceptions will not be made.

Recommended for ages 2-5

Babies & Board Books

WEDNESDAYS AT 10:30 AM

THURSDAYS AT 10 AM

Enjoy simple rhymes, songs, and stories, especially for new parents and growing babies. This is a small group by design with the intent to foster a positive first story time experience in a nurturing environment.

Recommended for birth - 18 months

STORY TIME UPDATE

Our Fall Story Time session begins Tuesday, September 2! Family Story Times will remain outdoors through the end of October. Babies & Board Books is held in the McCulloch Children's Room.

PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

Preschool Palooza

TUES. SEPT. 30 AT 11 AM

Share stories, crafts and a snack! This program is perfect for getting your little ones ready for preschool.

Recommended for ages 3+ (with a caregiver).

SCHOOL AGE PROGRAM

Lego Club

WED. SEPT. 24 AT 3:30 PM

Create, build, explore with each other and Lego bricks! Registration not required.

Recommended for kids in grades K-5.

MOVIE MATINEE



Morning Matinee: Lilo & Stitch

TUES. SEPT. 23 AT 10 AM

A lonely Hawaiian girl befriends a runaway alien, helping to mend her fragmented family in this live-action remake of the Disney classic animated film.

2025 - 1 hr 48 mins - PG

A friendly reminder from our Children's Room Staff...

We encourage your children to explore, learn, and grow in the library! However, for everyone's safety and well-being, we kindly ask parents and caregivers to always remain attentive to your children during your visit.

Please take a moment to put away phones and enjoy this special time together—your presence makes their library experience more meaningful for all.

Thank you for helping us to keep the library a safe space!



ALL AGES

LOCAL AUTHORS BOOK EXPO

Local Authors Book Expo

SAT. SEPT. 13 - 10 AM - 2 PM

Join us for a celebration of the rich literary talent right here in Rhode Island! Meet a diverse group of nearly 40 local authors from across the state, discover new books in a variety of genres, and connect with the writers who call Rhode Island home.

Whether you're an avid reader, aspiring writer, or simply curious, this event is open to the public and perfect for all ages. Browse books, enjoy author signings, and support the vibrant local literary community.

Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate storytelling, creativity, and the power of local voices!



While at the expo, grab a punch card and get stamps from 10 authors to be entered into our raffle for a chance to win a special gift basket!

Free and open to all!

Please note: this event takes place from 10 am until 2 pm - feel free to come anytime!

Want to miss the crowds? We recommend coming after 12 pm!

GUESS THE DISPLAY THEME

Guess the Display

SEPTEMBER 1-30

There is a display on the first floor with a special theme...but we aren't telling you what it is! Guess the theme and be entered to win a fun prize!

LIBRARY CARD SIGNUP MONTH

Library Card Signup Month

SEPTEMBER 1-30

Your library card is your ticket to books, movies, technology, events, and so much more—all for free. Don't have one yet? Now's the perfect time to sign up!

Already a cardholder? Encourage a friend to get their own card and discover everything the library has to offer.

FOR TEENS

To register, call 401-247-1920 x6, or visit barringtonlibrary.libcal.com

Program dates & times subject to change.

Please check our online calendar for most up to date information.



SHARE A TALENT

Barrington Library's Little Variety Show

THURS. SEPT. 18 AT 6:30 PM

Sing. Read. Recite. Do some stand-up comedy. Bring an instrument. Anything goes. Spectators welcome!
Open to teens and adults!

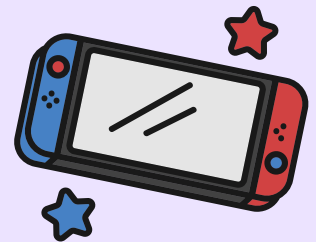
GET CREATIVE



Acrylic Painting

TUES. SEPT. 30 AT 6:30 PM

This class will be taught by high school artist and student Keta Douglas. Participants will use acrylic paint on canvas to create a stylized landscape.



Check out the Rec Room!

When our Teen Librarian, Tanya, is working, teens can ask to use the Nintendo Switch and play some video games while they hang out in the library!

Games we have to play include Super Smash Bros, Zelda, Mario 3D World, and Sega Genesis Classics.



LIBRARY SERVICES

BOOK CLUB IN A BAG

In charge of choosing the next book for your book club and don't know where to start? Borrow a Book Club in a Bag kit! Each kit contains 10 copies of a book and a binder containing fun "behind the book" information and discussion questions all in a handy canvas bag for easy transportation.

This program makes it easy (and free!) for everyone in your book club to obtain a copy of your next read.

New Kits Added in August 2025:

- *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano
- *None of This Is True* by Lisa Jewell
- *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby Van Pelt

Kits are available to check out for six weeks. Stop by the Reference Desk or call 401-247-1920 x2 for more info.



Want to place a Book Club in a Bag kit on hold for a future book club meeting date? Please call the Reference Desk at 401-247-1920 x2 for assistance. Please do not use the online catalog to place a hold on kits.

You must speak with a librarian to place a hold!

HOMEBOUND DELIVERY

Our Homebound Delivery Service brings books, audiobooks, magazines, and more to residents of Barrington who are physically unable to get to the library, including those who are residents of nursing homes or assisted living facilities.

Questions? Interested in registering a loved one for the program? Call the Reference Desk at 401-247-1920 x2



Check out our catalog for new books, recommended reading lists, and staff picks!

WHAT TO READ

Reading recommendations from Barrington Public Library staff to you!

ADULT FICTION



The Boy From the Sea by Garrett Carr

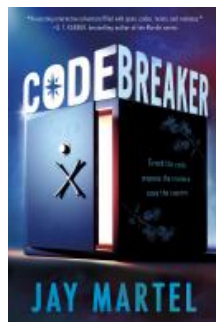
In a close-knit community on Ireland's west coast, a baby is found abandoned on the beach.



Dying to Meet You by Sarina Bowen

A new twisty thriller that asks: how well do we actually know the men in our lives?

YOUNG ADULT/TEENS



Codebreaker by Jay Martel

Seventeen-year-old Mia Hayes teams up with a rogue hacker to decode her missing father's message, uncover government secrets, and stop a deadly attack.



Embrace the Serpent by Sunya Mara

When the monstrous Serpent King seeks a bride, eighteen-year-old Saphira's quiet life—and secrets—are suddenly at risk.

MIDDLE GRADE



Stuck by Kayla Miller

Olive is excited to reunite with her friends at Camp Acorn Lake, but soon two closest camp friends start fighting with Olive in the middle.



Snoop by Gordon Korman

Stuck at home with two broken legs, Carter passes time watching live police cam feeds... and spying on his friends.

DIGITAL SERVICES



Friends don't let friends pay for digital resources such as ebooks, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, and video streaming services that they can get for free through the library! And we here at Barrington Public Library are your BEST friends. So don't let us down - utilize our digital resources today!

READ - LISTEN - WATCH

Libby

Get access to hundreds of thousands of ebooks and audiobooks for FREE with your library card.

With Libby you can read across all your devices, get offline access to your books when you don't have internet, listen to audiobooks in your car, send ebooks to your Kindle, and more!

Palace Project

Through the Palace app, library users have access to over 20,000 items curated by the Digital Public Library of America and Ocean State Libraries.

This app offers the largest selection of ebooks and audiobooks and has extra copies of high-demand titles.

hoopla

Hoopla provides online and mobile access to ebooks, audiobooks, comics, music, movies, and TV series with no hold or wait times.

Access requires a Barrington Public Library card number starting with 21332.

Kanopy

Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world's best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema collections from thousands of independent filmmakers.

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Download any of these apps from your app store on your mobile device or tablet.



EZONE



Ocean State eZone allows you to see every ebook and digital audiobook that our libraries offer no matter which app a book is associated with. You can see where books are available in which apps and you can now see how many people are on hold for titles you are interested in. You might find that a book is available or has a shorter wait time in one app, but has a long line in another. The choice is yours!

NEWSPAPERS - ONLINE!

Barrington Times Digital Archive

In October 2023, Barrington Public Library received a grant from the Office of Library and Information Services for \$25,000 to digitize the bound 1958-1983 issues of the Barrington Times owned by the Library. This searchable archive is now available to the public!

Visit barrington.historyarchives.online to access the archive.



Providence Journal Online

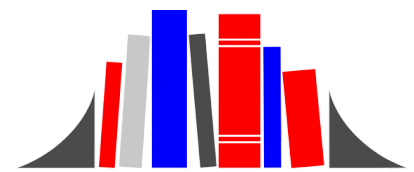
Barrington Public Library has access to The Providence Journal Collection online which provides full-text articles on local news, issues, events, people and more from current and archived issues of the Providence Journal (1981-current). Search current and archived issues with full-color newspaper pages, full-text articles and content only published online.

Remote (at home) access requires a Barrington Public Library card number starting with 21332.

Need help getting started?
Stop by the Reference Desk,
call **401-247-1920 x2**, or email **info@barringtonlibrary.org**

FRIENDS CORNER

Great communities need great libraries.
Great libraries need Friends.



FRIENDS of the **BARRINGTON**
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CRAFT KITS

Looking for a unique, eco-friendly craft? In an effort to find new ways to recycle and reuse books destined for the landfill, The Friends of the Barrington Public Library have begun to create Craft Kits that contain reclaimed book pages you can use to make beautiful paper crafts such as loopy flowers! Each kit includes everything you need to create a one-of-a-kind project at home.

- 🌱 Sustainable
- 🌟 Creative
- 💙 Supports the Library

Kits are available for just \$5 or \$8, with all proceeds directly supporting library programs and services. Stop by the library to pick one up and craft something beautiful today!

Please note: no saleable books were harmed in the making of these Craft Kits! Paper was sourced from damaged, outdated, or unsold books that were donated to the Friends but destined for the landfill or paper pulp factory. Help us give these old books a new life!



DAILY BOOK SALE

Open every day the library is open and replenished daily! We have a wide selection of books for all ages including fiction, nonfiction, puzzles, DVDs, and a large collection of children's books. Located on the first floor of the library near the Reference Desk. There is also a Daily Sale book bin outside of the Children's Room.

Cash and credit card accepted.
Purchase all books at the Circulation Desk. All proceeds go to the library.

BOOK DONATIONS

Book donations are a great way to support your library!

Starting Saturday, September 6, the Friends will accept donations from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm on Wednesdays and Saturdays only at the book donation door located at the rear of the building facing the Peck Center for Adult Enrichment parking lot.

Please limit your donations to 2 boxes or bags per visit.

We are in special need of kids books!

SEPTEMBER ART EXHIBITS



JENNIFER ENGLISH GALLERY

Andre Gil | Multi-Media Exhibit
Photographs, Writing, Podcast



MAIN FLOOR GALLERY

Linus Powers | Acrylic Paintings