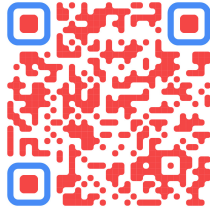


Age Group | All Ages

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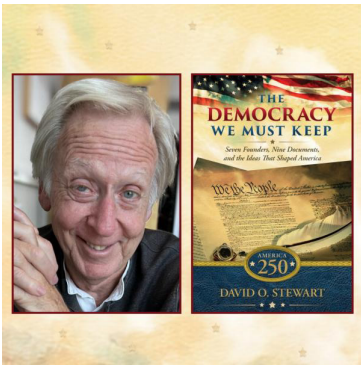
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 **REGISTERED EVENTS**

Sign up at
<https://bit.ly/4111jmV> or
call 781-944-0840.

Tuesday September 1, 2026



Virtual: Democracy and Why the Ideas that Built America Still Matter

2:00pm - 3:00pm

What drove America's founders to the central principles of our democracy and how do those ideals shape us now as we celebrate our 250th anniversary?

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series |
Friends Sponsored Program | Adults

Beginner English Class

Sept. 1, Oct. 6-Dec. 8, 6:30pm - 8:00pm Want to improve your English? Join us on Tuesday nights, 6:30-8:00pm!

Classes & Workshops | Adults



Tuesday September 1, 2026



Crochet & Knit Drop-In Meetup

Sept. 1, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Needlecraft in good company! Bring your crochet hooks, knitting needles, yarn, quilting, or other fiber craft for a monthly community drop-in.

Meetup | Teens, Adults

Wednesday September 2, 2026

 **REGISTERED EVENT**

Free Your Photos!

9:30am - 11:30am

Are your photos stuck on a device? Join this 5-week class to learn tools for backing up, sharing, and printing your photos, and how to make the most of them with scrapbooks, calendars, and more.

Classes & Workshops | Adults

Mah Jongg Meetup

Sept. 2-Nov. 4, 12:00pm - 2:00pm

If you are an experienced Mah Jongg player looking for a place to play, stop by the library!

Friends Sponsored Program | Adults | Meetup



Thursday September 3, 2026



 **REGISTERED EVENT**

Hello Out There from Trivia Land

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Just in time for the Emmys, stop in to play some trivia about TV shows!

Friends Sponsored Program | Adults

Tuesday, September 8, 2026

 **REGISTERED EVENT**

Babytime

Sept. 8-Oct. 6, 6:30pm - 7:00pm

Registration is required. Babytime is a five-week storytime class for ages 0-15 mos.

Storytimes | Children

 **REGISTERED EVENT**

Tech Help by Appointment

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Get help one-on-one from a librarian with your tech help needs! Learn how to confidently navigate online spaces and digital devices in a supportive and collaborative environment. Book an appointment!

Classes & Workshops | Adults

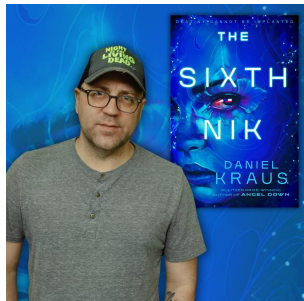
Tuesday September 8, 2026

Virtual: Dark Space and Destiny with Author Daniel Kraus

7:00pm - 8:00pm

Enter deep space as a faceless assassin from a rogue planet wreaks havoc while a plague runs rampant in Pulitzer-Prize winning author Daniel Kraus' newest sci-fi body horror book, *The Sixth Nik*.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series | Friends Sponsored Program | Adults



Wednesday September 9, 2026

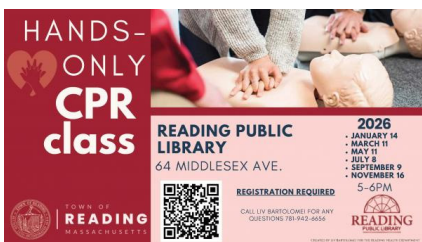
REGISTERED EVENT

Dungeons & Dragons for Novice Kids

3:30pm - 5:00pm

Registration is required. Learn how to play Dungeons and Dragons!

Classes & Workshops | Children



REGISTERED EVENT

Town of Reading Health Department - Hands Only CPR Class

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Town of Reading Health Department Hands Only CPR Class led by Public Health Nurse Liv Bartolomei.

Community | Health & Wellness | Teens, Adults

Thank you to the Friends of the Reading Public Library for sponsoring our programs.

Wednesday September 9, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Why Not Wednesdays: The Art of the Renaissance Duel

6:00pm - 8:30pm

Ready to learn the art of the duel with the iconic rapier? This class is perfect for adults looking to live out their Musketeer or swashbuckling fantasies! Learn how to move and swordfight like they did in the 16th and 17th Century. No prior fencing experience is necessary.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Meetup | Adults

Thursday September 10, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Walk through the Town Forest TOWN FOREST

3:30pm - 5:00pm

Join us for a meander around the town forest, exploring weeds, plants, and shrubs.

Friends Sponsored Program | Lectures | All Ages, Adults

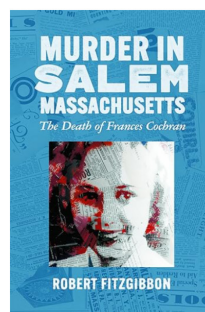
BeTween Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Join our Librarians for a drop-in hangout just for tweens.

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Meetup | Children

Thursday September 10, 2026



Murder in Salem, Murder in Reading: A True Crime Author Talk

7:00pm - 8:30pm

In 1941, the mysterious disappearance of 19-year old Frances Cochran made national headlines. Rob Fitzgibbon shares this story, and a related Reading murder in this special author event.

Author Event | Friends Sponsored Program | Adults

Friday September 11, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT



Toddler Yoga with Greenhouse Children's Yoga Studio

10:00am - 10:45am

Friends Sponsored Program | Health & Wellness | Children

Monday September 14, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Dungeons and Dragons for Intermediate Kids

Sept. 14-Oct. 26, 3:30pm - 5:00pm

Six week D&D campaign for kids.

Classes & Workshops | Children



Tuesday September 15, 2026



National Voter Registration Day

10:00am - 6:00pm

The library is partnering with Town Clerk Laura Gemme to register people to vote or check your registration status.

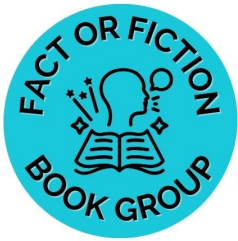
Community | Teens, Adults

Fact or Fiction Book Group

Sept. 15, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Fact or Fiction Book Group, an inclusive participant-facilitated adult reading group, meets monthly for lively, insightful reactions to a title.

Book Group | Meetup | Adults

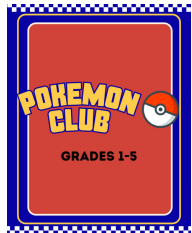


Wednesday September 16, 2026

Pokemon Club

Sept. 16, Oct. 21, Nov. 18, 3:30pm - 4:30pm Meet up and talk about all things Pokemon!

Friends Sponsored Program | Meetup | Children



Heirloom Apples of New England

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Join the 18th Century Cook, Michael Smith, for a discussion and tasting of heirloom apple varieties of early New England.

Friends Sponsored Program | Lectures | Local History | Adults



Thursday September 17, 2026

Virtual:The Comeback Conversation: Moving from Surviving to Thriving

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Are you living a life that's expected rather than one you've elected? Stop satisfying others and turn experience and dreams into reality with guidance from wellness author Yasmine Cheyenne.

Author Event | Friends Speaker Series
Friends Sponsored Program | Adults



Friday September 18, 2026



Big Body Play

10:00am - 11:00am

Join us in getting some of those wiggles out in an open play space! Children

Saturday September 19, 2026

Saturday Storytime

10:00am - 10:30am

Drop-In Family Storytime

Storytimes | Children



Monday September 21, 2026

Town of Reading - Walk-in Blood Pressure Screening

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Join us for free, walk-in, blood pressure screenings with the Town of Reading Public Health Nurse Liv Bartolomei.

Community | Health & Wellness | All Ages

Tuesday September 22, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Rocket to Reading: A Mentorship Program

CHILDREN'S ROOM

Sept. 22, Oct. 14, Nov. 16, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Sign up your child in grades 1-5 and be paired with a high school mentor for an hour of reading and fun at the library.

Teen mentors in Grades 9-12 can sign up starting on Sept. 1.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Children

Wednesday September 23, 2026



Spanish Language Conversation Group

Sept. 23-Oct. 14, 3:00pm - 4:30pm

Come practice Spanish with us! All language levels (beginner to advanced) welcome.

Meetup | Series | Teens, Adults

Wednesday September 23, 2026

 REGISTERED EVENT

Cottage Core Room Decor

4:00pm - 6:00pm

Celebrate sustainability and add cottage core vibes to your space with a fun DIY nature craft!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Teens



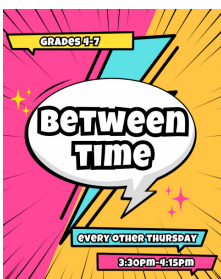
Thursday September 24, 2026

Speed Reads Short Story Book Group at Pleasant Street Center

Sept. 24, Oct. 29, 10:00am - 11:30am

Enjoy lively conversation at "Speed Reads," where we share the joy of reading a complete story in just one sitting! This program is held at the Pleasant Street Center.

Book Group | Meetup | Adults



BeTween Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Join our Librarians for a drop-in hangout just for tweens.

Friends Sponsored Program | Children | Meetup |

 REGISTERED EVENT

Latinos Unidos en Massachusetts (LUMA)

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Latinos Unidos en Massachusetts (LUMA) will be presenting on challenges faced in recent years, and how communities like Reading can support our Latinx neighbors.

Lectures | Standalone Event | Adults

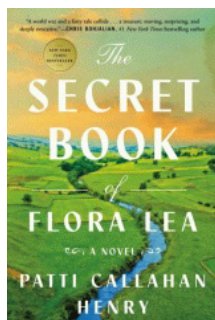
Friday September 25, 2026

Singalong with Peter Sheridan

10:00am - 10:45am

Pete's back!

Friends Sponsored Program | Performances & Special Events | Children



Studio 64

10:30am - 12:00pm

The Secret Book of Flora Lea: A Novel by Patti Callahan Henry

Book Group | Adults

Saturday September 26, 2026

Community Costume Swap

1:00pm - 3:00pm

A costume swap for children ages 0-13.

Community | Children, All Ages |



Tuesday September 29, 2026



Word of Mouth Book Discussion

Sept. 29, Oct. 27, Nov. 24, 10:00am - 11:00am Have you read any good books lately? Stop by and share!

Book Group | Meetup | Adults

Tuesday September 29, 2026



 REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab

3:30pm - 4:30pm

Working on cool weather crops.

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children

Wednesday September 30, 2026

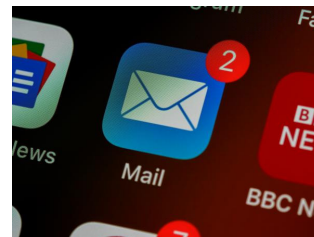
 REGISTERED EVENT

Taming Your Inbox - Tips for Managing Your Email

2:00pm - 3:30pm

Is your inbox out of control? Learn how to better manage your email in this hands-on workshop with professional tech experts from KevTech services!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Adults



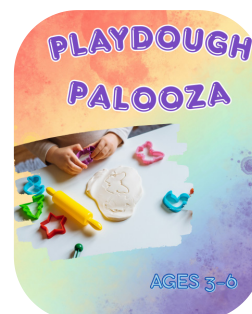
Friday October 2, 2026

Playdough Palooza

10:00am - 10:35am

Come have a colorful time playing with playdough!

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Children



Saturday October 3, 2026

Busy Bee Clean Up and Planting Day

10:00am - 12:00pm

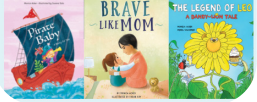
Clean up and planting event.

Meetup | Adults

SPECIAL GUEST STORYTIME

with local author
Monica Acker

Saturday,
October 3rd
10:00 am



Special Guest Storytime

10:00am - 10:45am

Visit with our neighbor who creates books for kids!

Storytimes | Children

Monday October 5, 2026



Money Saving Winter Energy Programs and Tips

6:00pm - 7:30pm

Winter is coming! Is your home ready? Come to learn about cost-saving programs and savvy tips from energy experts to winterize your space before the cold season.

Classes & Workshops | Lectures | Adults

Tuesday October 6, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

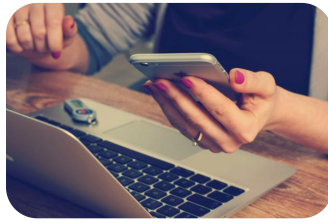
Fall Prevention and Home Modifications

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Do you know what common fall risks exist in your home? Find out how to prevent dangerous risks and how to make easy modifications to your living space to stay safe and independent.

Classes & Workshops | Health & Wellness | Lectures | Adults

Thursday October 8, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Tech Help by Appointment

3:00pm - 4:00pm

Get help one-on-one from a librarian with your tech help needs! Learn how to confidently navigate online spaces and digital devices in a supportive and collaborative environment. Book an appointment!

Classes & Workshops | Adults

BeTWEEN Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Join our Librarians for a drop-in hangout just for teens.

Friends Sponsored Program | Children
| Meetup

Friday October 9, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Toddler Yoga with Greenhouse Children's Yoga Studio

10:00am - 10:45am

Friends Sponsored Program | Health & Wellness | Children

Saturday October 10, 2026



Seasonal & Holiday Decor Swap

Seasonal and Holiday Decor Community Swap

12:00pm - 3:00pm

Fall into sharing! Find pre-loved tabletop and wall decor for all your favorite holidays and seasons with a sustainability-focused community swap!

Bring your donations to the Reference Desk October 1-October 9. Donations will not be accepted on swap day.

Meetup | All Ages

Tuesday October 13, 2026

Join us!

ENTERING READING
EST. 1639

Whether you're a new resident, remember the days of The Atlantic, or arrived sometime in between, you are welcome to Connected Reading: An Open House for Our Community!

Connected Reading: An Open House for Our Community

Tuesday October 13 5-7pm (Drop-in)

Reading Public Library 64 Middlesex Ave.

Connected Reading: An Open House for Our Community

5:00pm - 7:00pm

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Community | Performances & Special Events | All Ages

Thursday October 15, 2026

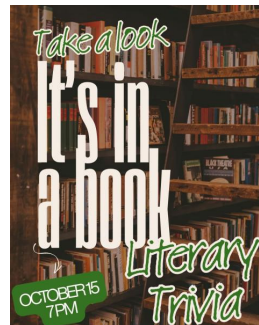
REGISTERED EVENT

Take a Look It's in a Book

7:00pm - 8:30pm

The tropes, the villains, the lore, and more. It's a trivia about the books!

Friends Sponsored Program | Adults



Friday October 16, 2026

Storytime Registration Opens

Please call the Children's Room at 781-942-6705 to register for the November and December sessions of Tuesday Treasures or Wednesday Wishes.

Registration opens at 9 AM.

Storytimes | All Ages



Friday October 16, 2026

Big Body Play

10:00am - 11:00am

Join us in getting some of those wiggles out in an open play space!

Friends Sponsored Program | Children

Saturday October 17, 2026

Sparkly Storytime

10:00am - 11:00am

Registration required. Join special guest Madame Zapple and our Librarians for a special sparkly storytime!

Friends Sponsored Program | Children | Storytimes

Monday October 19, 2026

Town of Reading - Walk-in Blood Pressure Screening

2:30pm - 3:30pm

Join us for free, walk-in, blood pressure screenings with the Town of Reading Public Health Nurse Liv Bartolomei.

Community | Health & Wellness | All Ages



REGISTERED EVENT

Paint a Pumpkin!

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Register to paint a miniature pumpkin or gourd. Take one home, leave one here for decoration!

Friends Sponsored Program | Teens | Performances & Special Events

Monday October 19, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Theater Makeup Workshop

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Learn how to do zombie makeup from a theater professional!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Children



Let the Murderer Say Amen

7:30pm - 8:30pm

If you like mysteries and roaring 20s jazz piano, this event is for you!

Author Event | Adults

Tuesday October 20, 2026

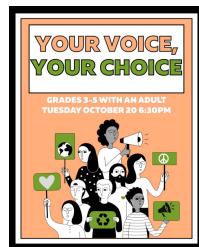
REGISTERED EVENT

Plant Lab

3:30pm - 4:30pm

Carving pumpkins.

Friends Sponsored Program | STEAM | Children



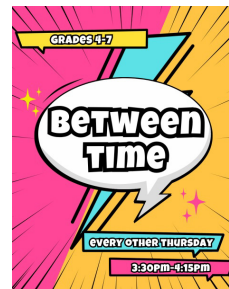
Your Voice, Your Choice

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Create signs inspired by the book 'Rise Up!' by Rachel C. Katz

Classes & Workshops | Community | Children

Thursday October 22, 2026



BeTween Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Join our Librarians for a drop-in hangout just for tweens.

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Meetup | Children

REGISTERED EVENT

Zen Den

6:30pm - 7:30pm

A hangout for tweens and their favorite adult.

Friends Sponsored Program | Performances & Special Events | Children

Friday October 23, 2026



Trick or Treat Storytime

10:00am - 11:00am

Practice your trick-or-treating skills with a storytime and costume parade! No registration necessary.

Friends Sponsored Program | Storytimes | Children

Studio 64

10:30am - 12:00pm

The Studio 64 Book Group meets in the Studio space at the Library. *Homegoing* by Yaa Gyasi, is the October book of the month.

Book Group | Adults



Saturday, October 24, 2026

Mara and Motoko Halloween Concert

10:00am - 11:00am

Join Mara and Motoko for another concert at the library! Wear your Halloween costumes or something festive to dance in!

Friends Sponsored Program |
Performances & Special Events | Children

Wednesday October 28, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Why Not Wednesday: Creepy Crafting

6:00pm - 8:30pm

Spend a spooky night eating candy and crafting!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored
Program | Adults

Thursday October 29, 2026

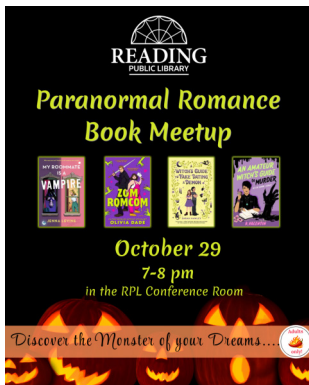
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Paranormal Romance Book Meetup

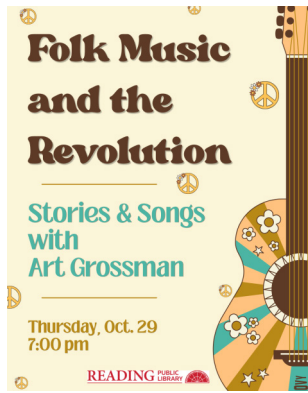
7:00pm - 8:00pm

Attention, romance readers! Are you too busy for book clubs, but in the mood for a seasonal read? Join us for this spooky, spicy, one-night-only book meetup, featuring paranormal romance titles.

Meetup | Standalone Event | Adults



Thursday October 29, 2026



Folk Music and the 1960s Revolution

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Take a journey through folk songs that shaped the 1960s with a live performance and stories behind the music that inspired change during one of America's most transformative decades.

Friends Sponsored Program | Teens, Adults
Performances & Special Events |

Friday October 30, 2026

Sing Your Song with Stacey Peasley

10:00am - 11:00am

Dance and singalong with Stacey Peasley!

Friends Sponsored Program | Children

Saturday October 31, 2026



Side by Side Storytime

10:00am - 10:30am

Spanish/English Bilingual Storytime

In-Person Event | Storytimes | Children

Monday November 2, 2026

Backyard Bird Feeding

7:30pm - 8:30pm

Can you name the 20 most common birds in Winter?

Friends Sponsored Program | Lectures |
Teens, Adults



Tuesday November 3, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Citizen Kids

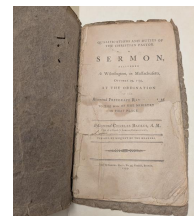
Nov. 3-Dec. 8, 3:30pm - 4:30pm

Action Local, Think Local, Impact Worldwide

Friends Sponsored Program | In-
Person Event | Series | Children



Wednesday November 4, 2026



Reading Revolts

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Join the Reading Public Library, the Reading Historical Commission, and the Reading Antiquarian Society for a presentation of historical documents and items from Colonial Reading at the time of the American Revolution.

Community | Local History | All Ages

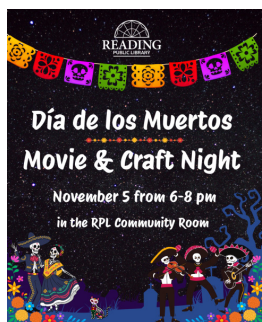
Thursday November 5, 2026

BeTWEEN Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

Join our Librarians for a drop-in hangout just for tweens.

Friends Sponsored Program | Children |



REGISTERED EVENT

Día de los Muertos Movie & Craft

6:00pm - 8:00pm

View a family-friendly movie about this holiday and learn to make the craft "papel picado," a brightly colored tissue paper banner.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Standalone Event | All Ages

Friday November 6, 2026

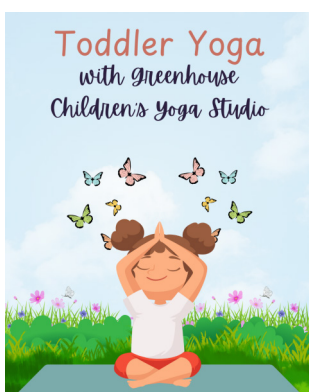
REGISTERED EVENT

Toddler Yoga with Greenhouse Children's Yoga Studio

10:00am - 10:45am

Friends Sponsored Program | Health & Wellness | Performances & Special Events

Children



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Saturday November 7, 2026

Puzzle and Game Swap

12:00pm - 5:00pm

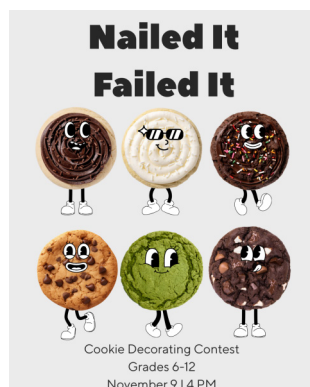
Do you love puzzles and games? Now's your chance to refresh your collection! Trade your old favorites for exciting new ones at the library, where you can snag a free puzzle or game!

Bring your gently used puzzles and games (with all pieces included) to the Borrower Services desk anytime from Saturday, October 31 to Friday, November 6, you don't need to donate to get a puzzle.

Performances & Special Events | All Ages



Monday November 9, 2026



REGISTERED EVENT

Nailed It, Failed It: Cookie Decorating Competition

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Friends Sponsored Program | Teens | Performances & Special Events

Thursday November 12, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Healthier Holiday Charcuterie Boards

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Learn to make a festive, health-conscious charcuterie board that your holiday guests will rave about for years to come.

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Health & Wellness | Adults

Friday November 13, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Playdough Palooza

10:00am - 10:35am

Come have a colorful time playing with playdough!

Friends Sponsored Program | In-Person Event | Children

Saturday November 14, 2026

Big Body Play Saturday Edition

10:00am - 11:00am

Join us in getting some of those wiggles out in an open play space!

Friends Sponsored Program | Children

Monday November 16, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Genealogy One-on-One: Private Research Appointment

11:00am - 12:00pm

Need help with your genealogy or house research? Book an appointment with our Local History and Genealogy Reference Librarian today!

Local History | Meetup | Adults

Town of Reading - Walk-in Blood Pressure Screening

2:30pm - 3:30pm

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Community | Health & Wellness | All Ages

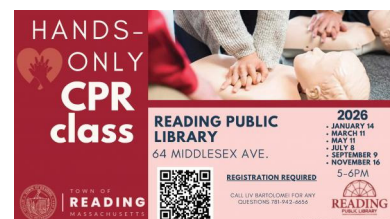
REGISTERED EVENT

Town of Reading Health Department - Hands Only CPR Class

5:00pm - 6:00pm

Town of Reading Health Department Hands Only CPR Class led by Public Health Nurse Liv Bartolomei.

Community | Health & Wellness | Teens, Adults



Wednesday November 18, 2026



Beauty on the Wing: Understanding the Monarch Butterfly

2:00pm - 3:30pm

Experience the inspirational story of a magnificent species found in our own backyards!

Author Event | Classes & Workshops
Friends Sponsored Program | Adults

REGISTERED EVENT

Why Not Wednesdays: Puzzle Races!



6:00pm - 8:30pm

Borders or insides first? Grab your team of players (up to four participants per team) and race against time and other teams to complete your puzzle the fastest.

Meetup | Adults

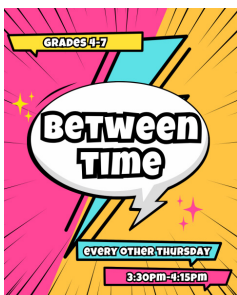
Thursday November 19, 2026

BeTween Time

3:30pm - 4:15pm

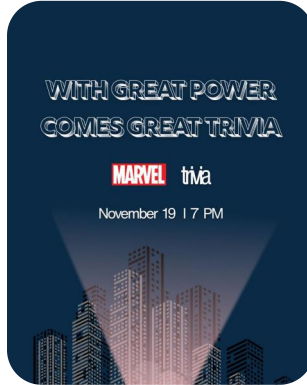
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Friends Sponsored Program | Children | Meetup



Thursday November 19, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT



With Great Power Comes Great Trivia

7:00pm - 8:30pm

Are you prepping for Avengers: Doomsday? Test that knowledge at the library!

Friends Sponsored Program | Adults

Friday November 20, 2026

Get Groovy with Little Groove!

10:00am - 11:00am

Join Little Groove for a concert right here at the library!

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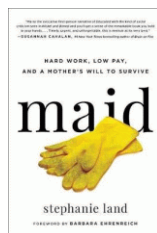


Studio 64

10:30am - 12:00pm

Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive by Stephanie Land

Book Group | Adults



Friday November 20, 2026



K-Pop Crafting

3:30pm - 4:30pm

Meet other K-pop fans and craft together!

Classes & Workshops | Friends Sponsored Program | Meetup | Teens, Adults

Saturday November 21, 2026

Side by Side Storytime

10:00am - 10:30am

Spanish/English Bilingual Storytime

In-Person Event | Storytimes | Children



Tuesday November 24, 2026

REGISTERED EVENT

Genealogy One-on-One: Private Research Appointment

2:00pm - 3:00pm

Need help with your genealogy or house research? Book an appointment with our Local History and Genealogy Reference Librarian today!

Local History | Meetup | Adults



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