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The Library is located directly across from Town Hall.

Summer Hours

Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Friday
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

July Holiday Hours

Wednesday, July 3rd
9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Thursday, July 4th
Closed

This is just a small sampling of what is happening at Thayer Public Library this month. To see everything the library is offering be sure to check the online calendar or sign up for our e-newsletter!

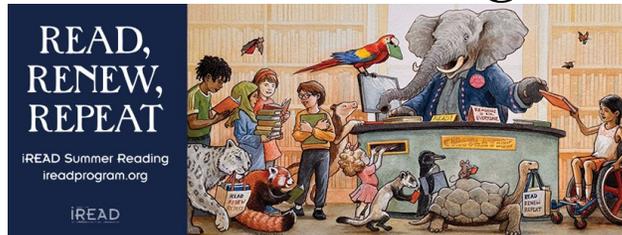


Library Connections

The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

JULY 2024

Summer Reading Continues



The 2024 Summer Reading Challenge continues through **Friday, August 16th!**

This year's theme is **Read, Renew, Repeat** and we have something for everyone — Kids, Teens, and Adults!

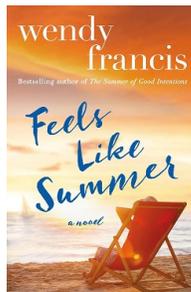
Once again you can participate in Library Summer Reading

through Beanstack. If you have previously registered there is no need to register again. Log in and get started today!

If you haven't previously registered, visit Beanstack at thayerpubliclibrary.beanstack.org to get started. Track your reading, submit reviews (only displays first name and last initial), earn virtual and physical badges, and more!

Mocktails and Beach Reads

Author Wendy Francis will share her favorite beach reads



Join us on **Monday, July 29th at 6:30 pm in Logan Auditorium** to enjoy a tropical mocktail and talk beach reads with Massachusetts author Wendy Francis!

Special guest author Wendy Francis will share her favorite summertime beach reads -- both new and old, including her latest novel -- *Feels Like Summer*. After the program, we will email you a list of the books mentioned.

"If you are looking for a sizzling summer read that explores the complex bond between sisters and offers romance and mystery, this book is for you! Moreover, it provides an insider's look at life in Hull, capturing this well-known coastal town's culture, spirit, and history." — *The Patriot Ledger*

Wendy Francis is the author of six novels. Her character-driven novels have won praise from acclaimed authors such as Elin Hilderbrand, Nancy Thayer, Kristy Woodson Harvey, Jamie Day, and Patti Callahan Henry. Her essays have appeared in *Good Housekeeping*, *The Washington Post*, *Redbook*, *Yahoo Parenting*, *Salon.com*, *Huffington Post*, and *WBUR's Cognoscenti*, among others.

She currently lives south of Boston with her husband and son.

Please register so we will know how many mocktail glasses will be needed! Register online through the Event Calendar, in person, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

Teen Henna

International Certification for Natural Henna Arts (ICNHA) Certified and Insured Henna Artist Mandy Roberge from Wicked Good Henna Studio will be visiting us from **2pm to 4pm on Wednesday, July 24th in Logan Auditorium.**

The program is first come, first served. The first 35 people are guaranteed to receive a henna tattoo. Any after will depend on time constraints.

Pumpnickel Puppets Present Sir George and the Dragon



Join us on **Wednesday, July 17th from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Children's Room** for a performance of Sir George and the Dragon by Pumpnickel Puppets.

For over forty years John McDonough and the Pumpnickel Puppets have captivated audiences of all ages with humorous and colorful adaptations of classic folk and fairy tales. For each production, John designs and creates all of his own puppets, which range from small hand puppets to larger than life size figures. He also manipulates the entire cast and provides the voices and sound effects as well.

The Pumpnickel Puppets have had the honor of appearing at The Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC, The Center for Puppetry Arts, Atlanta, GA and the prestigious International Festival of Puppetry sponsored by the Jim Henson Foundation in New York.

July Movies

Newly released on DVD movie. Join us on **Wednesday, July 10th** for a showing of *American Fiction*.

American Fiction confronts our culture's obsession with reducing people to outrageous stereotypes. Jeffrey Wright stars as Monk, a frustrated novelist who's fed up with the establishment profiting from "Black" entertainment that relies on tired and offensive tropes. To prove his point, Monk uses a pen name to write an outlandish "Black" book of his own, a book that propels him to the heart of hypocrisy and the madness he claims to disdain only for it to be mistaken for serious literature and published to high sales and critical praise. *MRC ~ 1 hour, 40 mins ~ Rated R*



The **first showing is at 2:00 pm and the second showing at 6:00 pm in Logan Auditorium on the Upper Level of the library.**

Oscar Nominated Movie. So many of this year's Oscar Nominees ran so long we don't have enough time to show them in the evenings before we close! So we're making special time to show some longer-than-usual-nominees. Early. On Friday mornings!



Join us on **Friday, July 19th at 10:00 am in Logan Auditorium** for a screening of *Anatomy of a Fall*, nominated for five Oscars.

In an isolated mountain chalet near Grenoble, novelist Sandra Voyter decides to reschedule her interview with a female student because her husband, university lecturer Samuel Maleski, plays music loudly in their attic, disrupting the interview. After the student drives away from the chalet, Samuel and Sandra's visually impaired son, Daniel, takes a walk outside with his guide dog Snoop. When they return home, Daniel finds Samuel dead from an apparent fall. An investigation leads to a conclusion of "suspicious death": it's impossible to know for sure whether he took his own life or was killed. Sandra is indicted, and we follow her trial which pulls the couple's relationship apart. Daniel is caught in the middle: between the trial and their home life, doubts take their toll on the mother-son relationship.

Les Films Pelleas ~ 2 hours, 53 minutes ~ Rated R

The movies are presented by the generous funding of the Friends of Thayer Public Library.

Upcycled Feather Wall Hanging

Join Pop Up Art School on **Tuesday, July 9th from 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm in Logan Auditorium** for this exciting program!

Get ready to upcycle materials into an amazing wall hanging for your room! You'll use strips of leftover fabric to create a backdrop for feathers made from fringed pages of old books. If you want, you can give the feathers a splash of color with watercolor paint. This project is sustainable, and perfect for adding a personal touch to your space!

For ages eleven and up. Registration is required! Register online through the Event Calendar, in person, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417.

This event is part of the library's Read, Renew, Repeat Summer Reading Program.

