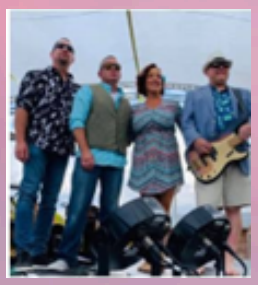
SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

August 12th at 6:30 - All About Amy

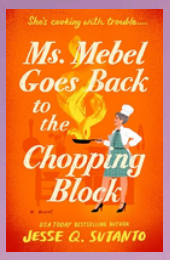


Museum Passes

The Friends of the Library generously provide a variety of museum and attraction passes. This month we feature Old Sturbridge Village/Coggeshall Farm Old Sturbridge Village, the largest outdoor history museum in the Northeast, depicts a rural New England town of the 1830s. Its 200 scenic acres are home to various farm animals, authentically costumed staff, and over 40 original buildings. In an effort to further their common mission of delivering living history, the Coggeshall Farm Museum of Bristol, RI, is now associated with Old Sturbridge Village.

OLD STURBRIDGE VILLAGE

What we're reading..



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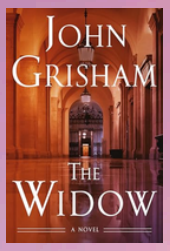

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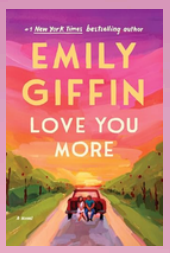

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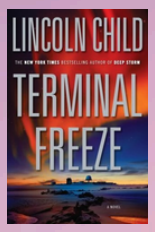

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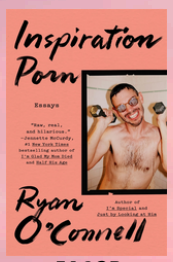

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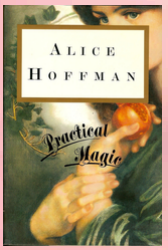

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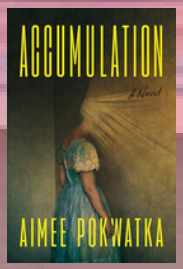

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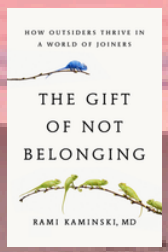

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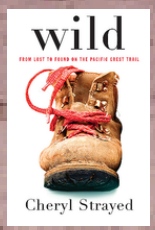

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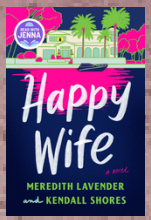

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ADULT PROGRAMS- AUGUST 2026

Featured Events

Music at the Monastery: All About Amy
Wednesday, August 12th, 6:30 pm
Come and dance to the sounds of All About Amy this evening! Bring a blanket or chair for this outdoor concert. In case of rain, the show will go on in our Community Room on the 2nd floor!

Quick Pickling
Tuesday, August 18th, 6:30 pm
Presented by Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens, this hands-on workshop will teach you how to make quick pickles using fresh summer squash, zucchini, or cucumbers. Each participant will create their own pint jar of crisp, flavorful pickles to take home and enjoy! Space and supplies are limited, so registration is required.

CHECK OUT OUR VIRTUAL PROGRAMS!

LIBRARY CHEF
https://www.cumberlandlibrary.org/events-classes-exhibits/library-chef
Enjoy live Cooking Classes, Breathwork and Meditation Classes, and more!

- Beat the Heat: No/Low Cook soon to be Food Fav's: August 5th, 7:30 pm
- Meditation Basics with Melissa: August 19th, 7:30 pm

BESTSELLING AUTHOR TALKS
https://libraryc.org/cumberlandlibrary
View discussions with today's bestselling authors and talks from the Smithsonian curators based on their collections and new books!

- The Legacy of Julia Child's Kitchen with Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson: August 4th, 2:00 pm
- High Altitudes and High Stakes: A Miss Marple Mystery with Lucy Foley: August 27th, 2:00 pm

Crafts, Hobbies, and Wellness

Love, Laugh, and Hug with Lucy Lu!
Monday, August 3rd and 17th, 6:00 to 7:30 pm
Come visit our therapy dog Lucy Lu!

Grab & Go Kits: Mini Rock Cactus Garden
Registration opens August 1st at Noon. Kits released Monday August 31st

Northern Rhode Island Art Group
Wednesday, August 19th, 10:00 am
This month's theme: **STILL LIFE/FOOD**

Community Craft Night
Wednesday, August 26th, 6:30 pm
Come craft and unwind with Katie at our bring your own craft community night! Whether you're a seasoned artist or just looking for a relaxing night out, this is the perfect space to explore your creativity. No registration required, just stop by!

Sound Bath Meditation with Shri Yoga
Monday, August 24th, 6:30 pm
Registration is required.

Craftierevening: Terra Cotta Pot Painting
Tuesday, August 11th, 6:30 pm
Ages 18+. ***Registration is required.***

Fiction Writers Group
Monday, August 24th, 6:30 pm
A group for writers of all genres who would like to have a place to share their passion and receive constructive feedback.

Book Discussion Groups

Evening Book Discussion Group
Monday, August 17th 6:30 pm
Apples Never Fall, by Liane Moriarty

Morning Book Discussion Group
Wednesday, August 12th, 10:00 am
Happiness Falls, by Angel Kim

Stephen King Book and Movie Club
Tuesday, August 18th, 6:30 pm
Finders Keepers

Other Worlds Book Club
Tuesday, August 25th, 6:30 pm
Something Wicked This Way Comes, by Ray Bradbury

TEEN SERVICES NEWSLETTER

AUGUST

Teen activities at the library are for youth in grades 6-12 or ages 12-18. Some events may require registration. To register please visit our website.

Dungeons and Dragon Campaign 8/5, 8/12, 8/19, & 8/26 5pm
Brandon from Midsummer Games is going to do a four week campaign for us! Sign up for the first slot and you guarantee your spot for all four. Attendance is required to all four slots as this will be an ongoing campaign! For teens grades 6 to 12. *Space is limited so registration is strongly suggested!*

Wire Sculpture Dinos 8/6 3pm
Join us in the Teen Center to make some Sculptures using metal wire. In honor of our Summer Reading theme, we'll be making plenty of dinosaurs! Supplies are limited, so be sure to register online!

Pizza Party 8/7 1pm
Join us in the Community Room for our Summer Reading Finale party. This year featuring pizza!

Take A Hike 8/12 1:30pm
Join us for our final hike in our Summer Hiking Series! We hope to take advantage of our surroundings this summer. We will meet in front of the library and take a hike of the monastery grounds and exploring the trails!Make sure to stay hydrated and wear comfortable trail appropriate clothing / shoes!

Movie Night: Jurassic Park 3 8/13 5pm
For the last in our Summer Movie Series catch "Jurassic Park III"!
After being persuaded by a wealthy businessman to conduct an aerial tour of Isla Sorna, InGen's second site for a failed Jurassic Park experiment, Dr. Alan Grant discovers the true reason for his invitation. A tragic accident maroons the party of seven, and they must attempt to escape with their lives.
Please note this movie is PG-13 and is held in the Teen Center so attendees must be teens in the 13-18 range.

Game Club 8/17 6pm
Join us for our monthly Game Club -- Try out a new game with us every month. For August we are playing Jackbox's Guesspionage!
This game requires each player to use their phone so please bring your phone and make sure it is charged!

Crafty Teens Social Club 8/18 6pm
Join us for our Crafty Teens Social Club! Come do some crafts with us, socialize with your friends and other teens!
For August we are coloring in window cling mandalas!

Teen Volunteers Club 8/20 5pm
Current teen volunteers and those interested in joining our volunteer program, join us for Library Volunteer Club! We meet monthly to reset the Teen Center, prep any programs, and reset the genre buckets. We also hope this will give our volunteers a better space to share their voices and opinions on potential library programs and offerings!

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SUMMER IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

Plant a Seed - Read! Our 2026 Summer Reading Program ends August 8!

BEANSTACK: Our Free Summer Reading App

Beanstack is a fun, user-friendly app that enables you to take your summer reading on the go. Simply download the free app from the store of your choice, or you can sign up through a web browser at: cumberlandplri.beanstack.org.

BOOK BINGO: Complete a row by Aug 8!

Complete one row of activities for a prize book and entry into the $5 Gift Card Raffle! Log the activities we suggest or sub 20 minutes of reading for any square.

Our Summer Reading activities are sponsored by: The Friends of the Cumberland Public Library, Navigant Credit Union, The Cumberland/Lincoln Lions Club, Dave's Marketplace, and the RI Office of Library and Information Services.

Drop-In Chess

Monday August 3
from 6 PM - 7 PM
Children's Program Room

This event is for casual play. A volunteer will be there to help, but there will be no formal instruction. For ages 6-12.

Storytimes:

- **Babies & Books:** Tuesdays at 10 AM. For birth-23 months. Last one: August 4.
- **Family Storytime:** Thursdays at 10 AM. For all ages. Last one: August 6.
- **Spanish Storytime:** Fridays at 10 AM. All ages. Last one: August 7
- **STORYTIME AT THE LODGE:** Monday, 8/17 at 10 AM. For all ages **at Diamond Hill Park**

SEL Storymakers

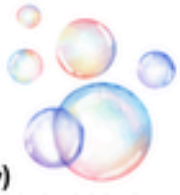
Wed. 8/5 from 5 PM - 6:30 PM
Children's Program Room
This interactive program for grades K-3 combines storytime, playing, and making! Bring creativity and curiosity. *Registration required!*

Meet Gilbert the Party Pig!

Mon. 8/3 at 10 AM, 10:30 AM, and 11 AM
Children's Program Room

Children ages 3-12 are invited to meet Gilbert and his sweet friends and learn all about what makes pigs amazing! An adult caregiver must accompany the children. Seating is limited. **You must call us or visit the Children's Desk at the library to register.**

Big Ol' Bubble Party



Thurs. 8/6 from 6 PM - 7 PM
Front Lawn (Children's Room if rainy)
We'll create as many bubbles (and as big bubbles) as we can. In the event of rain, this will be a quieter, bubble art program inside. Wear your messy clothes! All ages. No registration required.

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Kids Comic Book Club

Children's Program Room, Ages 8+

Wed. 8/12 at 6:30 PM: We're discussing *Oasis* by Guojing, about two orphans in the near future who befriend a junkyard robot.

Pick up the book at the Children's Desk to sign up!

Seeking Kids' Costumes for Halloween Costume Swap!

Collecting gently used costumes from 8/17 - 10/3
Swap Date: 10/5 from 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM in the Children's Program Room.

Has your child outgrown their old costumes? Are you in need of a new costume for Halloween?

How it works: Bring a gently used costume that you are willing to part with from now until October 3rd to the Children's Room. For each costume you bring, you will receive a ticket to use at the Swap on 10/5. At the Swap, you will be able to browse all available costumes in a variety of child sizes and pick something that's just right! Redeem 1 ticket for 1 costume.

We will accept: Costumes in sizes Newborn - Youth XL. Costumes must be freshly laundered, bagged together with all pieces and accessories, and have no major damage or tears in fabric.

The Library Staff has the right to refuse any costume that does not meet the needs of the program. all remaining costumes will be donated.

Fall Down the Rabbit Hole for Library Card Sign-Up Month!

This September, the Children's Room is celebrating National Library Card Sign-Up Month with the help of the *Alice in Wonderland* books, including events, activities, and giveaways.

Kids 12 and under who sign up for their first library card will receive a limited edition library card sleeve, as well as entry into our Wonderland Raffle!

We will also offer games, coloring pages, and special events. Check our online calendar to stay updated.

Join our email newsletter for inbox reminders:

Scan this code with your camera app to join!

Coming Soon: Homeschooler Programs at the Library

The children's staff is brainstorming some homeschool-centric programming on a homeschool schedule. If you have questions or input, please contact the Children's Services Coordinator at Liz@cumberlandlibrary.org. We would love to talk to you, and have a survey we can send along for you to fill out as well.

The Children's Room serves kids up through age 12. Any inquiries about teen homeschooler activities should be directed to the Teen Department, headed by Jillian Goss (jgoss@cumberlandlibrary.org).

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This month @

Display your collection at the library!

Do you collect something interesting- coins, postcards, dolls, rocks, model trains, literally anything at all? Our lobby display case could be yours for a whole month! To reserve your spot, email circ@cumberlandlibrary.org or call 401-333-2552 option 4.

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9:00-8:00
Fridays
9:00-5:00
Saturdays:
9:00-1:00
Sundays:
Closed
Holiday hours:
August 10th: Closed