

**Monthly E-Newsletter
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It's Summer Reading Time!



A Universe of Stories: June 21-August 17

Blast off with some out of this world fun during our summer reading program! Starting June 21, astronauts-in-training ages 0-10 can pick up a rocket game board. Complete activities and attend programs to earn take and make space prizes! Those who finish the program will earn a coupon for a free book!

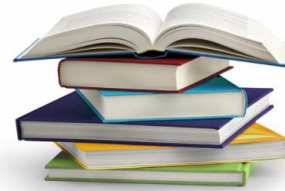
Don't worry - teens and adults won't be left out of the fun! You will get one entry to win a fabulous raffle prize of your choosing every time you give us a brief review of a book, movie, or library program.

We also have an exciting summer of programming planned for people of all ages!

Adult Programs

Genealogy Group - June 1

On Saturday, June 1 at 10:00, the Kennebunk Free Library Genealogy Group will host a discussion about historical maps of the area with presenter Rosemary Mosher.



Heart and Home Book Club - June 3

The Heart & Home Book Club is a pick-your-own book discussion group at KFL. Participants choose their own fiction or nonfiction book based on a monthly theme. On Monday, June 3 at 2:00 p.m., our theme will be *friendship*. Feel free to call or stop by the library for help finding a book!



Meditation Class - June 10

Meditation: Are you a beginner? Looking to deepen your practice? Join us at the Kennebunk Free Library on Monday, June 10 at 2:00 for the fourth in a series of meditation classes with presenter Cindy Simon. All are welcome!



Where does most of your awareness and attention go? Do you live in the moment? Are you aware of your breath? Relax and imagine peaceful scenery, learn deep stillness and quiet, utilize positive affirmations, and rid your mind of negative chatter. Learn to bring meditation into your everyday life and discover deeper relaxation, sleep, patience, and calm.

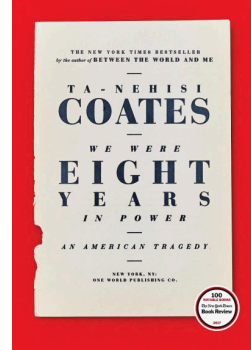
Nonfiction Book Group - June 10

Join us on Monday, June 10 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss *We Were Eight Years in Power* by Ta-Nehisi Coates.

National Book Award-winner Coates (*Between the World and Me*) collects eight essays originally published in the Atlantic between 2008

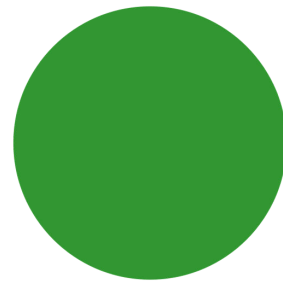
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and 2010, marking roughly the early optimism of Barack Obama's presidency and the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. The selection includes blockbusters like "The Case for Reparations" and "The Black Family in the Age of Mass Incarceration," which helped to establish Coates as one of the leading writers on race in America, as well as lesser-known pieces such as his profile of Bill Cosby (written in late 2008, before the reemergence of rape allegations against Cosby) and a piece on Michelle Obama before she became first lady. The essays are prefaced with new introductions that trace the articles from conception to publication and beyond. With hindsight, Coates examines the roots of his ideas ("Had I been wrong?" he writes, questioning his initial optimism about the Obama Administration) and moments of personal history that relay the influence of hip-hop, the books he read, and the blog he maintained on his writing. Though the essays are about a particular period, Coates's themes reflect broader social and political phenomena. It's this timeless timeliness--reminiscent of the work of George Orwell and James Baldwin--that makes Coates worth reading again and again. (Publishers Weekly, vol 264, issue 33, p)



Three Towns, One Circle Discussion - June 17

Join us at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 17 as we continue our discussion about how we, as residents of the area, feel about race and how we can build a community that is welcoming to all. The discussion will be led by a trained facilitator. With continued interest, more discussions will be scheduled. [Registration](#) is required.



Introduction to ThetaHealing - June 18

Join presenter Nancy Bariluk-Smith on June 18 at 6:00 to learn about the ThetaHealing technique and how to access your Theta brain waves. ThetaHealing has been around for over 20 years, is offered worldwide in more than 150 countries and has approximately 500,000 practitioners. In this class we will uncover the basics about ThetaHealing, discuss what ThetaHealing is, and learn how you can use this technique to access the Theta Brain wave state. The class ends with a short ThetaHealing meditation technique so that you can practice this meditation at home.



Nancy was born in CT, moved to Alaska for 10 years and spent many years in the wilds of the Alaskan bush. Having the love for adventure, Nancy traveled for a year backpacking through New Zealand and Australia. During her backpacking, soul seeking adventure, Nancy tapped into an inner knowing she hadn't experienced before. After a series of life shattering events, Nancy moved to a small community outside of Saratoga, New York to settle down, to heal and to raise her two sons, testing her willpower and courage. Meeting and marrying her husband Bill, the couple stayed true to their dreams and moved to the coast of Maine to pursue an artist lifestyle. Since moving to Maine, Nancy has pursued many creative outlets, including lampwork glass beads, beach rock jewelry and most recently acrylic flow art and jewelry. After hearing about how ThetaHealing helped a close friend, Nancy decided to become certified by the THInk Institute of Knowledge. Practicing ThetaHealing is a perfect way for her to combine her adventurous love of life and to empower others to follow their dreams and true passions.

Ukulele Group - June 19

On Wednesday, June 19 at 5:30, come to KFL for the fun of making music in the library. Though most of us are newbies, still learning to play the ukulele, people of all skill levels are invited to stop by to play along. Instructor Dan Riggall combines basic instruction with the opportunity to make music.

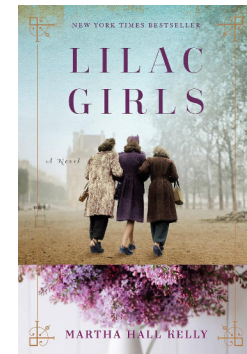
The library has a limited number of ukuleles available. Please let us know if you will need to borrow one. We will do our best to accommodate you.



Adult Book Discussion - June 25

Join us on Tuesday, June 25 at 1:00 to discuss *Lilac Girls* by Martha Hall Kelly.

Kelly's compelling first novel follows three women through the course of World War II and beyond. Caroline, a wealthy New Yorker, volunteers at the French consulate in New York, assisting refugees and raising funds. She meets Paul, a charming, married French actor, and sparks fly. Kasia, a young woman living in Poland during the Nazi invasion, works for the resistance until she is captured and sent to Ravensbruck, the women's concentration camp. There, she encounters Herta, a doctor hired to help execute inmates and perform experiments. Though her mother is Herta's trusted assistant, and even saved a camp guard's life, Kasia is operated on, joining the "Rabbits," inmates deformed from their surgeries. Meanwhile, Caroline loses touch with Paul when he returns to France to find his wife, and she finds herself tasked with keeping track of the growing concentration camp network for the consulate, learned from British intelligence. After the war, she travels to France to assist in locating missing people, where she learns about the Rabbits, including Kasia, who is struggling to let go of her anger and move on with her life. Despite some horrific scenes, this is a page-turner demonstrating the tests and triumphs civilians faced during war, complemented by Kelly's vivid depiction of history and excellent characters. (Publishers Weekly, vol 263, issue 07)



Trivia Night - June 26

The last Wednesday of every month is Trivia Night at KFL. Play alone or bring a team (or join one of our friendly groups of regulars). Admission is free, but players who choose to pay a \$2 entry fee are eligible to collect a share of half of that night's pot if their team wins. (Of course, if you're playing alone, you keep the whole half.) The other half goes to purchasing items for the library's collection. Join us on Wednesday, June 26 at 6:30.



In Stitches - June 4, 11, 18, 25

Do you love to knit? Crochet? Sew? Have you always wanted to learn? Do you have an unfinished project hidden on the closet shelf? Then join us for "In Stitches", our handicrafts group! This is a great opportunity to expand your skills and learn from others, about knitting, crocheting, sewing, embroidering, or other handicrafts while enjoying the company of others. Bring a project you are working on, or come learn from the very beginning (please bring your own supplies). Knitting help will be available.

In Stitches meets every Tuesday morning at 11:00 a.m. in the



in Catches meets every Tuesday morning at 11:00 a.m. in the Walker Room. No registration is needed, just drop by for as long as you like.



Tech Time - June 7, 14, 21, 28

Join us on **Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.** for our ongoing service, Tech Time. Attendees will work one-on-one with a librarian to answer your technology questions. Registration required.

Technology is becoming more complicated so we're here to help. Having difficulty downloading the cloudLibrary app? Got a tablet for your birthday and need help setting it up? Please make an appointment by contacting the library at 207-985-2173. This service has quickly become very popular so your patience in waiting for an accommodation is greatly appreciated.



This service is intended to help educate you about your device or to troubleshoot minor technology issues. Our goal is that you'll leave our session with the confidence and knowledge to troubleshoot your own future technology hurdles.

Teen Programs

Friday Fun

June 7 3:00 p.m.

Come join us as we make Explosive Popsicles!

June 14 3:00 p.m.

Come join us as we create our own Ferris Wheels!

June 21 3:00 p.m.

Come join us as we turn T-shirts into tote bags!

June 28 3:00 p.m.

Come join us as we launch an amazing series of summer programs with Alka-Seltzer Rockets!



Teen Anime - June 19

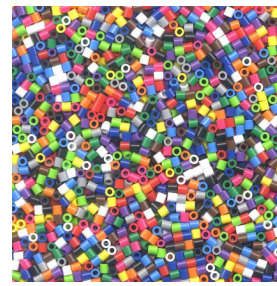
On Wednesday, June 19 at 4:00 p.m, come talk about anime, manga, RPGs, and anything in between. Basically, anything that makes you geek out is welcome and encouraged! It is open to students and teens ages 10 and up.



Children's Programs

Beadcraft - June 5

Perler Beads - tiny plastic beads that can melt - were first introduced as a craft in Sweden in the 1950s and we still love them! Children ages 6 and up are invited to join us for an afternoon of beading fun on Wednesday, June 5, at 1:00 p.m. Design suggestions will be offered, but creativity is encouraged! All craft materials will be provided. [Registration is required.](#)



Junior Science: Rainbow Square Bubbles - June 10

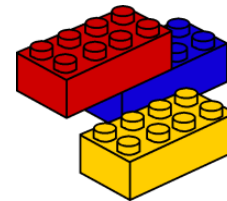
Science can be wacky, wild, or funny, but it's always an adventure! We will be holding a Junior Science series of programming for young scientists to experiment and observe the surprising results. Please join us on Monday, June 10th at 4 p.m. as we experiment with creating Rainbow Square Bubbles! For kids ages 5 and up, [registration is required.](#)



This month at Junior Science the kids had an amazing time creating Rainbow colored paper! By putting a drop of clear nail polish into a bowl of water and then dipping construction paper into it, a thin film of polish coats and dries on the paper. This film then reflects light creating a rainbow like effect.

LEGO Club - June 12

Come join us on Wednesday, June 12 at 4:00 p.m. for Lego Club! This month come join us for a building challenge that will push your builder abilities to the limit. If you are feeling more creative come build a Lego creation of your own imagination. [Registration is required,](#) for kids ages 4 and up.



Discovery Station - June 19

Discovery Station is a STEAM program designed for children 2-5 years of age accompanied by a parent or caregiver. STEAM activity stations will give children, with their parent or caregiver, an opportunity to engage in hands-on learning while having fun!



Join us on Wednesday, June 19 at 3:45pm for **All the Colors of the Rainbow!** The program is limited to 12 children, and [registration](#) is required.

Astronaut Training Camp - June 26

Are you ready for blast off? Come to KFL on June 26 at 1 p.m. for Astronaut Training Camp! Create a jetpack and helmet, and test your skills in an obstacle course. Pick up your summer reading materials before heading into outer space! All ages welcome. No registration required.



Family Yoga - June 27

Family Yoga is back at Kennebunk Free Library as part of our Summer Reading Program, A Universe of Stories. If you are looking for a family activity on a hot summer day, consider joining us for some fun with simple yoga shapes that invite stretching, strengthening, concentration, balance and confidence. As we explore the shapes, there will be gentle attention to breath and mindfulness. Included will be individual and group shapes, as well as shapes with your family person that encourage cooperation and connection. Programs will be led by Susan C. Mirisola, Library Assistant, Experienced Registered Yoga Teacher- 200 Hours, and Certified ChildLight Yoga Teacher.



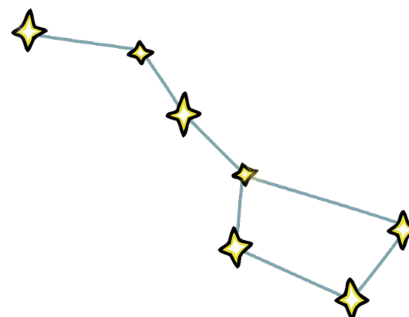
For ages 4 and up. Registration and waiver are required. Please bring a small blanket to cover during Resting-on-a-Cloud Pose, and your yoga mat, if you have one. No experience necessary. Space is limited. Family yoga will meet at the following dates and times:

- Thursday, June 27 at 11:30 a.m.
- Tuesday, July 9 at 2:00 p.m.
- Thursday, August 8 at 11:30 a.m.

Space Crafts - June 27

Blast off! Kennebunk Free Library is having a series of drop-in crafts to celebrate outer space. Stop by to create your very own galactic masterpiece! Space Craft drop-in crafts will be held on the following dates:

- Thursday, June 27 2:45-4:45: Stars and constellations
- Friday, July 19 2:45-4:45: All about the Moon
- Thursday, August 15 11:30-12:30: Pony bead aliens (for ages 7 and up)



Children's Concert - June 28

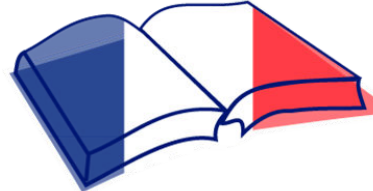
Ben & the Peanut Butter Problem is an experience that involves music, juggling, and fun! Ben Fogg, founder and creator of Ben & the Peanut Butter Problem, will perform at KFL on Friday, June 28, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.

In addition to being an educator, Ben Fogg is an incredibly talented artist and juggler. He plays guitar, piano, sings and writes kids songs, poems and draws the illustrations. He has shared his original songs and poetry with several audiences including schools, campgrounds, and fundraisers throughout New England. Ben has used his imagination and knack for creativity as a means of self-expression to discover his own unique voice and hopes he is able to inspire others to do the same. His most popular songs include the Ballad of Halloween, the Anti-Bully Anthem and Beagle in My Backpack. The Ballad of Halloween, Stuff Your Face: The Thanksgiving Song and Lots & Lots of Presents: The Christmas Rap are featured annually on radio stations nationwide.



French Class - June 4, 11, 18, 25

Would you like to learn to speak French? Join us on Tuesday afternoons from 12:15 - 1:15 p.m. here at the library for French class. You will develop speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, while also learning about cultural perspectives of France and other French-speaking countries around the world. Our emphasis will be on communication, using the language in real-life, real-world situations, so that students may converse with French-speaking visitors to our state, and/or be able to get around when traveling in the Francophone World. This class is geared towards homeschooling students age 10 and above, but all are welcome.



Summer Storytimes

To prepare for summer reading, we will be taking a storytime break from **June 10-June 22**. When storytime resumes, we will be following our summer schedule:

Mondays @ 10:15: Peek-a-Book Babies (ages 0-2)
Tuesdays @ 10:15: Family Storytime (ages 2-5)
Thursdays @ 10:15: Family Storytime (ages 2-5)



Farmers' Market Storytimes

Time for storytime! Kennebunk Free Library will be returning to Kennebunk Farmers' Market on select Saturdays in June. Come visit our tent for a story! KFL will be at the market on the following dates from 9:30-11 a.m.:

- June 1
- June 8
- June 15
- June 29

See you at the market!

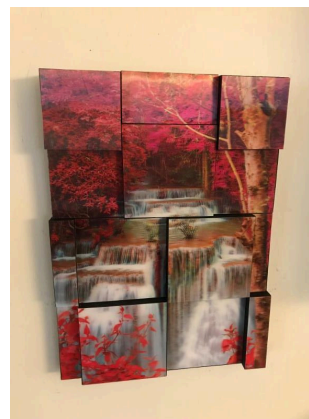


Speers Gallery

June Artist: Mike Barron

We are pleased to announce our May 30 to June 27, 2019 exhibition, "**Lenticular Print Collage**", the unique works of Mike Barron. The public is invited to view the exhibit during regular library hours when the gallery is not in use for library programs.

Mike created the 3D lenticular print collage method at the end of 2016 and knows of no other artist to use this mode of artistic expression. The inspiration for the work comes from the prints themselves. Individual objects in each picture inspire how Mike layers the depth of each collage. "I just enjoy sharing the lenticular effect where the image shifts or changes depending on the angle it is viewed."



Mike and his wife, Lauren can often be found at the Kennebunk Artisans Marketplace at the Waterhouse from May through October.

We are pleased to host this talented artist

Library News & Events

Zinio and Overdrive

Effective July 1, we have cancelled our subscription to Zinio, the online magazine resource available currently available through our website. So few people have made use of it that we cannot justify the hefty price tag for the service for another year. We are so sorry to disappoint those of you who are Zinio users. The good news is that we will be using the money that we would have spent on Zinio to add ebooks and audio books to Overdrive.

Speaking of Overdrive... The platform allows you to make recommendations for books that you would like us to have. We always appreciate your suggestions! They give us a better idea about what you would like to have available. While we will try our best to fulfill many of them, it is extremely expensive to make books available on Overdrive. (Many publishers do not allow libraries to purchase books outright - we pay for the book to be available for a certain number of uses or a certain time period.) Because of the cost, our collection is going to remain fairly small and we will be giving priority to high-demand books - mostly those that have long wait lists on the print copies. We'll also be taking advantage of sales on some previously popular titles.

We welcome your feedback about both Zinio and Overdrive. [E-mail us](#) or give us a call.

Volunteers Needed

Every year it takes about 80 volunteers to pull off the Road Race, our second largest fundraiser after the Annual Appeal. We have a steady group of volunteers that returns each year but we are always looking for a few more people. Would you be interested? This year the race is on Friday, July 12. Most volunteer positions require a commitment of about 2-3 hours or more if you're up for the task and include a lot of standing and/or movement. Please inquire for more details via email at mconnors@kennebunk.lib.me.us or via phone at 985-2173 x 103.

If you are a previous volunteer or have already been in touch with me about 2019, we will be reaching out to you soon.

New Books, Audio Books, & DVDs

[Click here](#) for a look at books that arrived this month.

[Click here](#) for audio/video that arrived this month.

Hot New Releases on order for June:

(Click on the title to go to the item record in the catalog & place a hold.)

[City of Girls by Elizabeth Gilbert](#)

[Murder in Bel-Air by Cara Black](#)

[Skin Game by Stuart Woods](#)

[Summer of '69 by Elin Hilderbrand](#)

[On Earth, We're Briefly Gorgeous by Ocean Vuong](#)

[Big Sky by Kate Atkinson](#)

[The Hive by Orson Scott Card](#)

The Five by Orson Scott Card

Lost and Found by Danielle Steel

Mrs. Everything by Jennifer Weiner

My Life as a Rat by Joyce Carol Oates

The Oracle by Clive Cussler

Unsolved by James Patterson

A Message from the Library Director

Thank you to all of those that have contributed to our Annual Appeal. If you haven't donated and are still interested, you can do so online or at the library, or give us a call. Our Annual Appeal goal this year is \$68,500. This figure is part of a total of \$200,000 that KFL needs to raise each year to supplement the funding we receive from the Town, approximately \$575,000. We are only partially funded because we are a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, not a town department so fundraisers like our Annual Appeal are crucial to our ongoing operation.



Our next largest fundraiser is our Road Race which brings in about \$37,000. Even if you aren't a 5k participant you can still contribute by purchasing tickets for our spectacular [raffles](#), joining us for the big day of music and food on July 12 and cheering our runners and walkers on, or by giving your business to our [sponsors](#)!

Thank you,
Michelle K. Conners, Director

June Calendar of Events

June 1: Farmer's Market Storytime, 9:00 a.m.
June 1: Genealogy Group, 10:00 a.m.
June 3: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
June 3: Heart and Home Book Group - 2:00 p.m.
June 4: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 4: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 4: Beginners' French Class, 12:15 p.m.
June 5: Beadcraft, 1:00 p.m.
June 5: Crafting Friends, 5:30 p.m.
June 7: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 7: Teen Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 8: Farmer's Market Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 10: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
June 10: Monthly Meditation, 2:00 p.m.
June 10: Nonfiction Book Group, 6:30 p.m.
June 11: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 11: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 11: Beginners' French Class - 12:15 p.m.
June 12: Picture Book Club, 1:30 p.m.
June 12: Artist Reception, 4:00 p.m.
June 12: Lego Club, 4:00 p.m.
June 14: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 14: Teen Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 15: Farmer's Market Storytime, 9:00 a.m.

June 17: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.

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June 18: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 18: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 18: Beginners' French Class, 12:15 p.m.
June 18: Introduction to Theta Healing, 6:00 p.m.
June 19: Discovery Station, 3:45 p.m.
June 19: Anime Club, 4:00 p.m.
June 21: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 24: Peek-a-Book Babies, 10:15 a.m.
June 24: Homeschool Group, 6:00 p.m.
June 25: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 25: In Stitches, 11:00 a.m.
June 25: Adult Book Discussion, 1:00 p.m.
June 26: Summer Reading Kick-Off Event, 6:00 p.m.
June 26: Trivia Night, 6:30 p.m.
June 27: Family Storytime, 10:15 a.m.
June 27: Family Yoga, 11:30 a.m.
June 27: Drop-In Space Crafts, 3:00 p.m.
June 28: Tech Time, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
June 28: Ben and the Peanut Butter Problem, 1:00 p.m.
June 28: Teen Friday Fun, 3:00 p.m.
June 29: Farmer's Market Storytime, 9:00 a.m.

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