

Check it out...



A Monthly Publication of the Portland Library November 2016

Library closed: Friday November 11th Veterans' Day

Closing: Wednesday November 23, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.

Closed: Thursday & Friday November 24 & 25, 2016 for Thanksgiving

Open: Saturday November 26, 2016 10:00 a.m. -5:00 p.m.

Reminder: Voting on Tuesday November 8th will be at 95 High Street (**New Location**) Portland High School 6:00 a.m.— 8:00 p.m.



Featuring: JobNow is a career resource on our library website, www.portlandlibraryct.org, for job seekers featuring personal coaching.

Not only does it offer resume building help but also has a skill building feature called Skillsurfer and an Eparachute module that provides information on college majors and careers based on your interests and skills.

Talk to Online Job Coaches Monday through Sunday 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and get all the information you need to find the perfect job!



JobNow,
powered by
Brainfuse,
is the
ONLY SERVICE
that provides
LIVE HELP
throughout
EVERY STEP
of your
JOB SEARCH

LIVE INTERVIEW COACH
Interview coaching from live experts



INTERVIEW TIPS
Helpful tips for interview success



ONLINE RESOURCES
Carefully selected resources to prepare you for the interview



November Lunch and Learn

Tuesday, November 8th, 2016 at 12:00 noon
***Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks**



A bestselling tale of passion and belief, magic and adventure, set in the 1660s. Bethia Mayfield is a young Puritan girl growing up in Martha's vineyard who meets Caleb, the young son of a chieftain. The two forge a secret bond that draws each into the alien world of the other. Books will be available for borrowing prior to the discussion. Bring a lunch if you like. Dessert and beverages will be served.

Registration appreciated! (Native Americans are an important part of Portland's History and this book is especially relevant as we celebrate Portland's 175th Anniversary.)

Save the Date: December Lunch and Learn
Tuesday, December 13th at 12:00 noon



The Life & Times of Thunderbolt Kid by Bill Bryson

Bill Bryson was born in the middle of the American century—1951—in the middle of the United States—Des Moines, Iowa—in the middle of the largest generation in American history—the baby boomers. As one of the funniest writers alive, he is perfectly positioned to craft his memories of a totally all-American childhood with a rich fantasy life as a superhero, running around his house and neighborhood with an old football jersey with a thunderbolt on it and a towel about his neck that served as his cape.

ART ON DISPLAY



The month of December will bring a very special exhibit to our Library entitled "**What I Love About Portland!**" Students from all five of Portland's Public Schools will display their paintings and drawings depicting their favorite thing about their hometown. What a fitting ending to Portland's 175th Anniversary celebration! **A reception will be held for the students, their families, teachers and friends on Tuesday, December 6 from 4:00-6:00 p.m.**

Youth Services News and Events



Magizoologists Needed!

Thursdays,
November 3, 10, 17
3:30 p.m.

**Grades 3-5
Registration Required**

Are you a young Magizoologist (a person who studies magical creatures)? Are you considering a career in the Department for the Regulation and Control of Magical Creatures? The Portland Library is in need of several young magic students to help locate, name, and document the Fantastical Beasts of Portland for a new book venture. We'll start by making our 'tools of the trade,' compiling a list of safety requirements, and then prepare to embark on our magical creature hunts!



Pokemon PARTY!

Tuesday, November 22nd at 3:30 p.m.

Calling trainers in grades K-5! We choose YOU for this Pokemon event! You are invited to the library to celebrate your favorite Pokemon characters. We will be decorating our own Pokeballs, going on a Pokemon Hunt, and doing other crafts and activities to help us become Pokemon Masters. Registration is required.



Late Fall!

Early Winter Storytimes

Registration for our 2016 late fall/early winter story time mini-session is underway. **Registration is open for the following programs.**

Preschool (ages 3-5)

Children are invited to have some fun while sharing some of Miss Lauren's favorite stories, songs, and games every week.

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. November 15, 22, 29,
December 6, 13

Toddler Time (ages 24-36 months)

Laugh, create, and connect with new and old friends, while listening to stories and enjoying related activities.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. November 16, 30,
December 7, 14

Bouncy Babies (ages 0-24 months)

This introduction to story time provides important bonding time and early literacy skills through stories, songs, games and playtime with new friends.

Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. November 17, December 1, 8, 15

Family Story Time

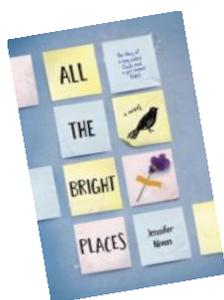
Come out and play with your child(ren) and enjoy a variety of *Language* and *Art Enrichment* activities for your family to share together. This program is open to all families with children in grades pre-K through 2nd grade. Younger siblings are always welcome. Family story time is held every **Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m.** November 16, December 7, 14

Registration for all of these story times is required. Go to www.portlandlibraryct.org or call 860-342-6770 to register.

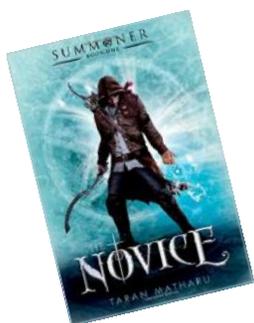
Youth Services News and Events

Teens' Top 10 Winners Announced!

The Teens' Top Ten is a "teen choice" list, where teens nominate and choose their favorite books of the previous year! Readers ages twelve to eighteen were invited to vote online between August 15 and Teen Read Week™ (October 9-15, 2016). The winners of this year's competition are listed below.:



1. *Alive* by Chandler Baker.
2. *All the Bright Places* by Jennifer Niven.
3. *The Game of Love and Death* by Martha Brockenbrough.
4. *Six of Crows* by Leigh Bardugo.
5. *Everything, Everything* by Nicola Yoon.
6. *Every Last Word* by Tamara Ireland Stone.
7. *The Novice: Summoner: Book One* by Taran Matharu.



8. *Illuminae* by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff.
9. *When* by Victoria Laurie.
10. *Suicide Notes from Beautiful Girls*. By Lynn Weingarten.

Congratulations to all of the winning titles and authors! Call the library for more information on locating these books.



Random Fandom

Mondays, November 21 and December 19
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.
Grades 6 and up

Attention all fangirls and fanboys! Watch the pilots, obsess over the books series, write the fanfiction....different fandoms will be featured every month.

November's Fandom will celebrate:
Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
Registration is required.



You Are Invited....

If you are entering **grades 7 and up**, you are invited to be part of the Portland Library's Teen Advisory Board. Our board members meet monthly on **Monday afternoons from 3:30-4:30** and help us in selecting materials for purchase, brainstorming and running programs for teens and children, and having a lot of fun while making a difference in our community. If this is something that interests you, please contact Jennifer Renk or Lauren Coleman at 860-342-6770 or jrenk@portlandct.org.

Upcoming meeting dates:
November 14, December 12



Portland Library
Teens

More News...

Monthly Book Discussions



All are welcome to attend the adult book discussion held one Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. Titles are available to borrow; no reservations are necessary.

Thursday November 3rd at 6:30

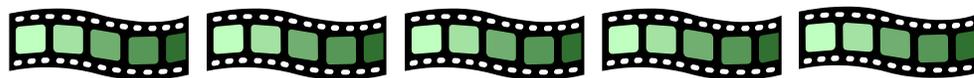
***The Round House* by Louise Erdrich**

Attacked on her North Dakota reservation in early 1988, Geraldine Coutts is left so traumatized she is reluctant to relive or reveal what happened. Her husband Bazil, a tribal judge, endeavors to wrest justice from a situation that defies his efforts while thirteen-year-old son Joe, watching as his mother suffers decides to get some answers of his own. With his trusted friends Cappy, Zack, and Angus, they begin their quest at the Round House, a sacred space and place of worship for the Ojibwe. Native Americans are being celebrated this month as Portland continues its 175th celebration.

Thursday December 1st at 6:30

***Sisterland* by Curtis Sittenfeld**

When the strongest earthquake in U.S. history occurs just north of their St. Louis home, Kate and Jeremy find the disaster further complicated by Kate's self-proclaimed-medium twin's prediction about a more powerful earthquake, a situation that places Kate under public scrutiny and reveals her own psychic abilities.



Movies in the Afternoon

Wednesday, November 9th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Showing: *Café Society*

Starring: Steve Carell, Jesse Eisenberg, Blake Lively, Jeannie Berlin, Kristen Stewart & Parker Posey. Directed by Woody Allen.

Perdido Productions. PG-13, 2016, 96 minutes.

Looking for an exciting career, young Bobby Dorfman leaves New York for the glitz and glamour of 1930s Hollywood. After landing a job with his uncle, Bobby falls for Vonnie, a charming woman who happens to be his employer's mistress. Settling for friendship but ultimately heartbroken, Bobby returns to the Bronx and begins working in a nightclub. Everything falls into place when he finds romance with a beautiful socialite, until Vonnie walks back into his life and captures his heart once again.

Movies in the Evening

Monday, November 14th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Showing: *Ghostbusters*

Starring: Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig, Kate McKinnon, Leslie Jones & Cecily Strong. Directed by Paul Feig. Columbia Pictures, 2016, PG-13, 157 minutes.

Following a ghost invasion of Manhattan, paranormal enthusiasts Erin Gilbert and Abby Yates, nuclear engineer Jillian Holtzmann, and subway worker Patty Tolan band together to stop the otherworldly threat. A Ghostbusters reboot of four women starting a ghost-catching business in New York City.

No reservations necessary! The Friends of Portland Library supports the Library's DVD collection.

Thank You

Recent Donations

Book Donations:

Carolyn Freeman

E. Mary Shea

E. Evelyn Eddy

Paula Brown: in memory of
Karen L. (Kirsche) Miller



Library Closing:

Friday November 11th: Veterans Day

Thurs. November 24th & Fri.

November 25th: Thanksgiving

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Library Meetings:

Friends of the Portland Library:

Monday, November 7th at 7 p.m.

Library Board of Directors:

Thursday, November 17th at 7 p.m.

To Reach the Library

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During the month of November, the Library will be featuring CDs of Piano music & Performance DVDs.



Books on Display

In November, the Library will have book displays of newly arrived materials, Fall Comfort foods and Cozy Mysteries.