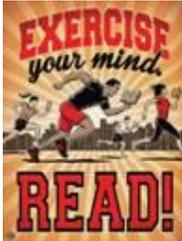


Check it out...



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Portland Library's 2016 Summer Reading Program for Adults

This summer's challenge to patrons is to "Exercise Your Mind: Read!" by exploring programs related to physical and mental fitness and healthy lifestyles.

During the summer, the Portland Library will host movies, book discussions, Lunch and Learn activities, and special programs. Log the number of pages you've read and complete challenges to win prizes. It's sure to be a fun summer. Register for the reading club at <https://wandooreader.com/portlandlibraryct/exercise-your-mind-read/users/sessions/new> or contact the Library. Logging of books continues until August 31st.

All Ages Flash Read

Wednesday, August 3rd, 2016 at 6:30 p.m., at Portland Town Green

Join us for a FLASH READ on the Town Green. How many

readers can we get at one time in one place? Bring a book or an eBook and something to sit on.

Rain Date: the "Mob" will meet Wednesday, August 10th, same time, same place.)

Following the **READ**, enjoy **REFRESHMENTS**.

The program is free; registration requested.

Made possible by the generous support of the Friends of Portland Library!



Tuesday August 30, 2016
7:00-8:00 p.m.

in the Mary Flood Room

A History of the Arrigoni Bridge

The presenter :

Jonathan Ives, a structural engineer

Sponsored by The Portland Historical Society.

Registration requested.

Summer hours:

Monday — Thursday 10:00 a.m. -8:00 p.m.

Friday 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Saturdays 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

(July 9 — August 27)



Portland Library presents an Adult Summer Reading Program:



Drumming Circle

Monday, August 1st, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Gather for a West African-inspired drum circle led by Mark Zarrillo, whose rich knowledge of West African music and culture, as well as over forty years of drumming wisdom, will inspire you. Learn basic techniques ending with a drumming sequence. Drums will be supplied. No prior experience necessary.

The program is free; registration requested.

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Save the date: September Lunch and Learn

Tuesday, September 13th, 2016 at 12:00 noon

All the Light We cannot See by Anthony Doerr

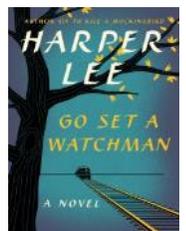
Tuesday August 16, 2016 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Join us at 7:00 pm for a discussion of *Go Set a Watchman* by Harper Lee a follow up to *To Kill a Mockingbird*, the 'One Book on the Riverbend' book we all enjoyed so much in April.

Marsha Bansavage, popular presenter and humanities scholar, will be leading this fascinating book discussion.

Registration requested.

Funded by Ct Humanities Council.



Youth Services News and Events



Portland Library's 2016 Summer Reading Program for Children & Teens

The Portland Library's 2016 Summer Reading Program, **On Your Mark, Get Set, READ!** (children) and **Get in the Game...READ!** (teens), will run from **June 10th –August 31st, 2016.**

This year, we're using Wandoo Reader to track our summer reading. This is a NEW and IMPROVED version of last year's program...we've added a game, interactive challenges, and much more.

Like last year, for every **140** minutes that you read and log this summer (that's 20 minutes per day for 7 days!), you will earn **2 BOOK BUCKS**. These Book Bucks can be redeemed at the Portland Library for small prizes; saved to earn bigger prizes such as books; or exchanged at the library for a can of cat or dog food that will be donated at the end of the summer to the Connecticut Humane Society to benefit our furry friends. The more you read and log, the more points you will also earn in the online Summer Reader game, which will allow you to customize your Wandoo champion and level up to make more summer fun!

We want you to read all summer but also earn extra prizes for fun challenges! Once you register for the program, you can check out the Challenge page to find extra activities that you can do to earn Book Bucks, such as coming to a library program, telling us your favorite joke, or sending us a photo of your favorite summer activity.

Registration for Portland Library's Summer Reading program starts on June 1st. Visit the library today for more information or log onto our website at www.portlandlibraryct.org for the link to register.

Thanks to the Friends of the Portland Library for funding our summer programming.

Angry Birds Movie

Wednesday, August 17
11:00 a.m.

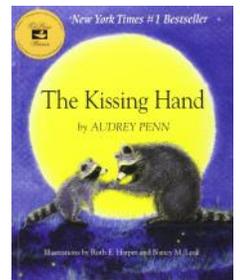


Take a break from the heat and join us for a screening of *The Angry Birds Movie*. In this film for all ages, flightless bird Red finds himself in anger management class because he can't control his temper. Along with fellow misfits Chuck and Bomb, Red works to rid his island of the green pigs that are taking over the island and discover the mysterious reason they are there in the first place. Light refreshments will be provided. **Registration is recommended.**

StoryWalk™ :

The Kissing Hand

Visit Portland's Riverfront Park in August to see our latest StoryWalk™ book selection: *The Kissing Hand* by Audrey Penn. All incoming kindergarteners in the Portland school system are encouraged to read this story about getting ready for school and dealing with the separation anxieties that may occur. Join Chester Raccoon and his mom in learning how to adapt to changes while enjoying the outdoors and getting some exercise this summer!



Story Stretchers



Mondays at 11:00 a.m.
August 1
Ages 0-5 Years old

Elements of yoga will be incorporated into this weekly hour long storytime series. Each session, we'll learn a new animal pose and hear stories, songs, and fingerplays that incorporate that animal. No yoga experience necessary! Each week will end with an age-appropriate craft and open play time.

Registration is required.

Youth Services News and Events



Fall Storytimes

Registration for fall story times will begin on **Monday, August 29 at 10:00 a.m.** Story time sessions will begin the week of **September 12-16** and will be divided up into the following age groups:

Story Garden (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.: September 13, 20, 27 and October 4, 11, 18, and 25

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.: September 15, 22, 29 and October 6, 13, 20, and 27.

Stories for Twos (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.: September 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12, 19, and 26.

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 evenings at 6:30 p.m.:**

September 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12, 19, and 26.

Registration for all of these story times is required. Go to www.portlandlibraryct.org or call 860-342-6770 to register starting 8/29/16.



You Are Invited....

If you are entering **grades 6 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:
October 17, November 14, December 12**

SRP Volunteer Thank You Party Monday, August 22 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Our dedicated group of Summer Reading Volunteers has worked hard all summer to help us provide a great program. We will be having a **THANK-YOU PIZZA PARTY** on Monday, August 22, from 1:00-2:30 p.m.

If you were part of our "crew" this summer, come join us for an afternoon of food, fun, games, and lots of laughs! Please **RSVP** to Miss Jenn or Miss Lauren at 860-342-6770 to let us know that you can join us so we know how much food to order.



**Portland Library
Teens**

More News...

Monthly Book Discussions



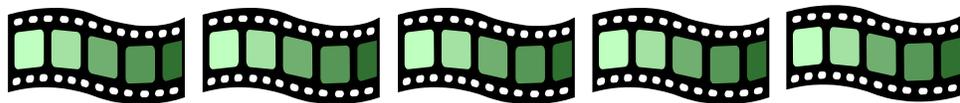
All are welcome to attend the adult book discussion held one Thursday each month at 6:30 p.m. Titles are available to borrow; no reservations are necessary.

Thursday September 8th at 6:30

The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce

Newly retired Harold Fry is convinced that he must deliver a letter to an old love in order to save her and so urgently begins a 600 mile trek on foot. Along the way he meets various characters and reminisces about the events of his past and the people he has known, trying to find peace and acceptance.

Save the date: Read & Recycle
Next Friends' Book Collection
Saturday, September 24, 2016 10:00-12:00



Movies in the Afternoon

Wednesday, August 10th, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Showing: *My Big Fat Greek Wedding 2*

Starring: Nia Vardalos, John Corbett, Michael Constantine, and Lainie Kazan; Universal; directed by Kirk Jones; PG-13, 2016, 94 minutes. The Portokalos Family is back in this hilarious sequel. Toula and Ian are facing marital problems while also having to deal with yet another Greek wedding - this time, even bigger and fatter.

Movies in the Evening

Monday, August 15th, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

Showing: *Hail, Caesar!*

Starring: Josh Brolin, George Clooney, & Alden Ehrenreich; Universal; directed by Ethan & Joel Coen; PG-13, 2016, 106 minutes.

An all-star comedy set during the latter years of Hollywood's Golden Age. It follows a single day in the life of a studio fixer who is presented with plenty of problems to fix.

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



During the month of August, the Library will have on display CDs of Movie Soundtracks & DVDs with Super Heroes.



Thank You

Recent Donations

Book Donations:

Anonymous: in Memory of Paul Ghent; Ray Poet; Paula Brown: in memory of Karen L. (Kirsche) Miller; Memoir Writing Group

Endowment Donation:

Gerald & Eileen Burke

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Saturday 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Library Meetings:

Friends of the Portland Library:

Monday, August 29th at 7 p.m.

Library Board of Directors:

Thursday, August 18th at 7 p.m.

To Reach the Library

860-342-6770

www.portlandlibraryct.org

Library Director

Janet Nocek

jnocek@portlandct.org

Art at the Library:



Bob McDougall presents his photo mural "Two Decades of Change on Main Street 1995-2005-2015" as part of Portland's 175th Anniversary Celebration. The mural is 96 feet long and includes over 1,500 photos of Main Street. Bob McDougall, born and raised in Portland, has been a longtime student of town history. He is the author of *Images of America: Portland* (2004) and is a member of the town's 175th Anniversary Celebration Committee.



Books on Display

In August, the Library will have book displays of newly arrived materials, hiking and travel books, and Graphic novels.