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**THE NEWSLETTER OF STAMFORD'S PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**JULY 2023**

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**Message from the CEO**

Our staff has been working with architect Henry Myerberg from HMA2, and David Vinjamuri from ThirdWay Brand Trainers to produce a facilities master plan for the Ferguson Library system. To get input from our users we conducted a survey and held focus groups with library users. While much of the work was meant to determine long-term space and infrastructure requirements, we also gained insight into our community’s needs, which will inform future programs and services.

A recurring theme that emerged was that many people want the library to be a place for socializing and building community. Whether this is a pizza and movie night for teens, yoga for seniors or networking for entrepreneurs, our users want a sense of belonging and a library that offers them connection with others.

We are looking forward to developing these new programs as we move forward with our master plan.

—Alice Knapp, CEO

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**Changes on the Library Board**

The Ferguson Library Board of Trustees welcomes Makeda Mays and Corey Paris as new trustees. Mays is a current citizen advisor. Paris is a Connecticut State Representative. They succeed Polly O’Brien Morrow and former Board Chair Stephanie O’Shea, whose terms have expired. Ms. O’Brien Morrow and Ms. O’Shea will join the board of the Ferguson Library Foundation.

Ellen Bromley (pictured), who has been secretary, will serve as chair. Michael Hyman continues as vice chair and Susana Vidan continues as treasurer. RJ Mercede will serve as board secretary.

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**Pitney Bowes Supports Library’s New West Side Branch**

Many thanks to the Pitney Bowes Foundation for a generous $35,000 grant to help provide services at the library’s new West Side Branch. The branch, which is housed at the Police Activities League (PAL) Center at 245 Selleck Street, brings library services to the West Side of Stamford for the first time. The branch will offer public access computers as well as collections for children and adults, including research databases, literacy training, online skills building courses and more.

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**Support the Library Become a Sustaining Donor**

Make a difference by becoming a Sustaining Donor to the library. Your recurring gift provides reliable funding to buy books and offer services like technology classes, job skills workshops and English language learning. No gift is too small. You can choose a monthly giving option when you make a secure donation on our website, or call 203 351-8208 for more information.

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**Find Your Voice this Summer**

Keep the kids reading and learning this summer with our Summer Learning Club, Find Your Voice. We’re making it easy to read with lots of incentives and fun activities. Register online at fergusonlibrary.org or on the READsquared app from Apple Store or Google Play. Teens can register for their own Summer Learning Club, too.

Find Your Voice is also the theme for our Adult Summer Reading Program. Pick up a Bingo card at the library and participate in our Adult Challenge, with a chance to win special prizes. Check our calendar for information on all our summer programs.

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**Digital Library: Pronunciator**

Hoping to learn a new language or acquire conversation skills for a trip? The Library’s Pronunciator database can be used on any computer or mobile device and will have you speaking another language in no time. Offering lessons in 163 different languages, Pronunciator is the world’s largest resource for language learning. and includes a comprehensive selection of ESL courses as well as content for kids, American Sign Language, and even Latin. Visit fergusonlibrary.org/resources/pronunciator to get started.

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**Daniel Silva July 19 Friends Author Series Event**

There are still seats left to see bestselling author Daniel Silva, who will discuss his latest powerhouse thriller, The Collector, at the Main Library July 19 at 6:30 p.m. The conversation will be moderated by CNN Special Correspondent Jamie Gangel and includes a pre-event reception at 6 p.m.

Tickets are $45 for general admission and $35 for Friends members. General admission ticket includes a Friends membership through December 2023. All guests will receive a copy of The Collector, and Silva will sign books after the program. Register at fergusonlibrary.org.

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**The Library will be closed Tuesday, July 4 for Independence Day. All our locations will be open during regular hours the rest of the holiday weekend.**

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**Storytime at Latham Park. Check our calendar for more outdoor programs this summer.**
**Book Discussions**

*If the discussion is held via Zoom, login details are on our online calendar. All are welcome.*

- **Silent Book Club**
  - **Saturday, July 8 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at HB**
  - Read the book of your choice in the quiet company of others.

- **Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch Book Discussion**
  - **Monday, July 10 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. via Zoom**
  - **Deaf Utopia: A Memoir and a Love Letter to a Way of Life by Nyle DiMarco**

- **Harry Bennett Branch Book Discussion**
  - **Monday, July 10 from 6 to 7 p.m. via Zoom**
  - **Fresh Water for Flowers by Valérie Perrin**

- **Social Justice Book Discussion**
  - **Wednesday, July 12 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at HB**
  - **The Line Becomes a River by Francisco Cantú**

- **Spanish Book Discussion**
  - **Thursday, July 20 from 5 to 6 p.m.**
  - **ML, Third Floor Ann M. Sexton Board Room**
  - **Patria de Fernando Aramburu**

- **South End Branch African & African American Authors Book Discussion**
  - **Monday, July 24 from 7 to 9 p.m. via Zoom**
  - **They Can’t Take Your Name by Robert Justice**

- **Short Story Book Discussion**
  - **Wednesday, July 26 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at HB**
  - **Night Hawks** by Charles Johnson

**Find Your Voice**

**Summer Wellness**

- **ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium**
- **Zumba Dance Party**
  - **Saturdays, July 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**
  - Dance yourself into fitness with instructor Pamela Arenas. No excuses! Teens and adults. **RA.**

- **Lunchtime Yoga**
  - **Wednesday, July 12, 19 & 26 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.**
  - Yoga instructor Ngan Nguyen will lead a lunchtime class in the Hatha style. Teens and adults. **RR.**

**Create a TEDx Talk**

- **Tuesday, July 11 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**
- **ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium**
- **Meet The New York Times bestselling author Ann Papiolitano, who will discuss her latest novel, Hello Beautiful, an homage to Louisa May Alcott's timeless classic, Little Women.**
- **Book sale and signing by Elm Street Books to follow. Face masks required. ** RR.**

**An Evening with Ann Papiolitano, Author of Hello Beautiful**

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**Classic Movie Matinees**

- **Fridays from 2 to 4 p.m. at HB**
- **Screening of top musicals perfect for summer**
  - **Singing in the Rain** (1952)
  - **July 14**
  - A silent film star falls for young studio singer just as he and his jealous screen partner are trying to transition to talking pictures. Starring Gene Kelly, Debbie Reynolds and Donald O'Connor. Rated G.
  - **Grease** (1978)
  - **July 21**
  - An exchange student and her leather-clad beau have a summer romance, but will their love story cross clique lines when they go back to high school? Starring John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John and Stockard Channing. Rated PG.
  - **Dirty Dancing** (1987)
  - **July 28**
  - After Baby arrives at a sleepy Catskills resort with her parents, she meets the handsome dance instructor, Johnny, who enlists her to partner for the last big dance of the summer. Starring Patrick Swayze, Jennifer Grey and Jerry Orbach. Rated PG-13.

**Find Your Voice Films**

- **Fridays from 4 to 6 p.m. at HB**
- **Screenings of movies featuring iconic musical performances**
  - **Summer of Soul** (2021)
  - **July 14**

- **Bohemian Rhapsody** (2018)
  - **July 21**

- **A Star Is Born** (2018)
  - **July 28**
  - A musician helps a young singer find fame as age and alcoholism send his own career into a downward spiral. Starring Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga. Rated R.

**Friends Author Series: An Evening with Daniel Silva, Author of The Collector**

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- **See cover for details. ** RR.**

**Expressive Arts**

- **Creative Charcuterie**
  - **Wednesday, July 12 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at HB**
  - Learn how to make salami roses, prosciutto ribbons, kiwi flowers and more, then arrange them on a platter with garnish. Take your own 9-inch bamboo round platter home for your next summer party. ** RR.**
  - **Presented in partnership with Curated Creations, Inc.**

- **Origami Hour**
  - **Saturday, July 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at HB**
  - Learn to make a traditional origami lantern that you can use to light your next summer party. Teens and adults. **RR.**

- **How to Get Published with Author Wendy Walker**
  - **Thursday, July 27 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**
  - **ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium**
  - Wendy Walker, thriller author of What Remains and All Is Not Forgotten, among other titles, will talk about the writing process and describe what it takes to become a published author. ** RR.**
Art at the Ferguson: Summer in the City
On display through September 21
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Juried shows of works by local and regional artists.
Presented in partnership with the Stamford Art Association.

Book Donation Day
Saturday, July 1 from 12 to 3 p.m. at HB
Bring your gently used books in bags or boxes to the Friends Book Shop.

Canasta Club
Wednesdays, July 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at HB
Come out and play canasta with us. All levels welcome.

Start Reading with PressReader
Wednesdays, July 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at HB
See cover for details.

Mah-Jongg Club
Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at HB

Death Cafe
Thursday, July 6 from 2 to 3 p.m. via Zoom
A discussion about increasing the awareness of death to help people make the most of their finite lives. Death Cafe is not grief support or counseling.

Make a Will for Free
Thursday, July 6 from 4 to 6 p.m. ML, Second Floor Study Room
Create your will in as little as 15 minutes. No prior experience necessary. Must be a U.S. citizen, 18 or older, and have an email address. RR. Presented in partnership with Just In Case Estates.

Knit & Needles Knitting Group
Mondays, July 10 & 24 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at HB
Work on your own knitting and crocheting project in the company of others. All levels welcome.

Health Check: Know Your Numbers
Monday, July 10 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. ML, Third Floor Rotary Room
Free blood pressure and pre-diabetes screenings plus height and weight checks. Presented in partnership with the Stamford Department of Health.

Healing Drum Circle
Monday, July 10 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at SE
A meditative gathering dedicated to healing the wounds of racism and supporting equity activism. Facilitated by Evelyn Avoglia.

Person-to-Person Mobile Food Pantry
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at SE
For more information, call 203 724-9111.

Community Mindfulness Project:
Meditation
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25 from 12 to 1 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
A brief discussion about meditation practice, a guided meditation, and a chance to share and reflect. Teens and adults.

Tech Tips for Older Adults
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25 from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. at SE
Free weekly help on smartphones, tablets, laptops and other devices with our experienced bilingual (English and Spanish). RR.

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Let’s Talk: Conversation Groups
Registration not required. New students welcome.

Summer Sessions via Zoom
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25
New students: from 12 to 12:30 p.m.
High beginner: from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m.
Low intermediate: from 2:30 to 4 p.m.
Advanced: from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Wednesdays, July 12, 19 & 26
High intermediate: from 10 to 11:30 a.m.
Beginner: from 3 to 4:30 p.m.
Evening Sessions in Person
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.
ML, Lower Level Community Area
NEW! Thursdays, July 13, 20 & 27 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at HB

Easy English for Beginners:
Side by Side Part 1
Mondays and Thursdays, June 6, 10, 17, 18, 24, 27 & 31 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. ML, Third Floor Technology Center
Learn language and life skills by reading, speaking and writing. RR.

Game Night: Tokaido
Tuesday, July 11 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. ML, First Floor New Materials Room
Play a game from the library’s collection, bring your own, or learn how to play this month’s featured game, Tokaido. Teens and adults. RR.

Ballroom Dance Workshop
Wednesday, July 12 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Final session with dance instructor Simone Assboeck, who will cover the basic steps of the waltz and the hustle. Attendance required for all sessions. RR.

Retro Video Gaming
Saturday, July 15 from 2 to 4 p.m. ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Have a blast. 8-bit fun playing retro games like Donkey Kong, Tetris, Pac-Man, Missile Command, Galaga, and many more. Teens and adults. RR.

Old Folks Acoustic Singalong
Saturday, July 15 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at WMH
An afternoon of toe-tapping, finger-snapping acoustic delights with Dr. Ev, who will take requests.

Financial Literacy: Planning for the Future
Presented in partnership with Wealth Bridge Advisory Services, LLC.

Understanding Social Security
Wednesday, July 12 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
Learn how Social Security works and how to maximize its benefits. RR.

Understanding Medicare
Thursday, July 13 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
Learn when to sign up for Medicare, what it covers, its costs, its varied options and how to plan for healthcare expenses during retirement. RR.

Understanding IRAs & Tax Planning in Retirement
Tuesday, July 18 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
Learn how and when to tap assets like IRAs to supplement income during retirement and the tax implications. RR.

Understanding Housing Wealth & Reverse Mortgages
Thursday, July 20 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
Learn how reverse mortgages can help eliminate mortgage debt, finance home improvements, purchase a new home, manage healthcare expenses, enhance an investment portfolio and more. RR.

NEW! Public Library Tour
Wednesday, July 19 from 10 to 10:30 a.m. ML, First Floor Lobby
A staff member-led tour of all the library resources available to you. RR.

Women’s Self-Defense Workshop
Saturday, July 22 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Club Kung Fu of Stamford will lead a workshop focusing on setting boundaries, assessing the threat and fighting back. Teens and adults. RR.

Lawyers in Libraries
Thursday, July 27 from 6 to 8 p.m. ML, Second Floor Study Room
Discuss your case with a volunteer attorney. To book a required 20-minute appointment, call 203 351-8221. Supported by the Connecticut Bar Association.

Art at the Ferguson: Summer in the City
On display through September 21
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Juried shows of works by local and regional artists.
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Save the Date: The History of LGBTQ+ Cinema
Tuesday, August 1 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. via Zoom
Film professor and historian, Dr. Harry Benshoff, will discuss how representations of LGBTQ+ people on film and TV evolved through the 20th century by focusing on key films and figures and defining sociocultural touchstones. RR.
Harry Bennett Donation Day
Donate your gently used books at the Harry Bennett Branch Book Shop Saturday, July 1 from 12 to 3 p.m. Donations are welcome any time at the Main Library Book Shop. Be sure to visit both locations this month for great beach and summer reading selections. All books are donated by the community and proceeds support the library.

Find Out How to Read Online
Learn to use the free PressReader app to read newspapers and magazines from around the world. The Harry Bennett Branch is holding weekly workshops on PressReader, which is available for Android and iOS (iPhone/iPad) devices. If you are new to digital reading this is a great way to get started. The app is perfect for news junkies interested in the latest headlines, trends, gossip and more.

CT STEM Kids Club Gives Back
A big thank you to the CT STEM Kids Club for their generous donation of $7,225. The club supports youth development in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math. The older students tutor the younger ones, and for the past several years have donated their earnings to the library.

Missed one of our programs? Catch up whenever you have a chance. Many of our programs are available on our YouTube channel. Be sure to subscribe.

STAFF RECOMMENDS:
New Books for Young Readers

- An American Story by Kwame Alexander
- Simon Sort of Says by Erin Bow
- Evergreen by Matthew Cordell
- Sunshine: How One Camp Taught Me About Life, Death, and Hope by Jarrett Krosoczka
- The Fire of Stars: The Life and Brilliance of the Woman Who Discovered What Stars Are Made Of by Kirsten W. Larson
- Grounded by Aisha Saeed, Huda Al-Marashi, Jamilah Thompkins Bigelow and S. K. Ali

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Main Library, DiMattia Building
One Public Library Plaza
203 964-1000
Monday through Thursday 10 to 8
Friday 10 to 6
Saturday 10 to 5
Sunday 1 to 5

Harry Bennett Branch
115 Vine Road
203 351-8291
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10 to 6
Wednesday 10 to 7
Saturday 10 to 5

South End Branch
34 Woodland Avenue
203 351-8280
Monday through Thursday 10 to 5:30
Saturday 10 to 2

Weed Memorial & Hollander Branch
1143 Hope Street
203 351-8285
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 10 to 6
Tuesday 12 to 7
Saturday 10 to 5

Bookmobile
Check our online calendar at fergusonlibrary.org/locations-hours/bookmobile

Passport Services
Main Library Passport Office
Appointments take precedence and are recommended. For more information or to make an appointment, call 203 351-8298.
Monday through Thursday 10 to 7
Friday 10 to 5
Saturday 10 to 4
Sunday 1 to 4

Harry Bennett Passport Office
Walk-in only
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 10 to 4

Support the library with a monthly gift. Donate at fergusonlibrary.org.
Summer Learning Clubs
The Kids and Teen Summer Learning Clubs, *Find Your Voice*, continue through the end of summer. Register online at fergusonlibrary.org, or on the Readsquared app, available on Apple Store or Google Play. Be sure to visit the library soon to get a free notepad and pen after you join!

Chess Club Returns
*Saturdays, July 15 & 22 from 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m.*
ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Beginners are welcome to learn this game of skill and strategy. Ages 7 and older. RR.
*Presented in partnership with the National Education Chess Teachers Association.*

Origami Hour
*Saturday, July 22 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at HB*
Channel your own creativity and precision while learning how to engage in the ancient art of Japanese paper folding. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

Fearless, Fantastic & Marvelous Celebration: 60 Years of Marvel Magic
*Monday, July 31 from 2 to 4 p.m.*
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Come as you are or in your favorite Marvel character costume to honor the life and legacy of Stan Lee and Marvel Comics. Party will feature a craft corner to create Marvel masks of favorite characters, a movie corner to enjoy early Marvel cartoons, games and other surprises. Snacks will be served. No toy weapons. Ages 5 and older. RR.

Meet the Animals
*Thursdays, July 13, 20 & 27 from 3 to 4 p.m. at HB*
Presented in partnership with the New Canaan Nature Center.

Owls on the Prowl
*July 13*
Learn about owls native to our region by meeting them up close and investigating what they eat via a pellet dissection. Ages 8 and older. RR.

Animal Habitats
*July 20*
Learn what animals eat, where they live and what covers their bodies to understand how each is suited to live in its environment. Grades K to 5. RR.

Wildlife Superheroes
*July 27*
Get a close look at several creatures with amazing abilities that match the great strengths of your favorite superheroes. Grades 2 to 5. RR.

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KIDS SUMMER LEARNING CLUB
For storytimes, registration opens six days before each program date where registration is required.

Family Storytime
Wednesdays, July 5, 12, 19 & 26
from 10:30 to 11 a.m.
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
A participatory storytime featuring songs, fingerplays, stories and movement activities. Ages 18 months to 5 years with an accompanying caregiver. RR.

Summer Storytime Under the Tent
Thursday, July 6 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB
Bring a blanket or chair to this outdoor storytime featuring readings, songs, fingerplays, rhymes and other activities. Ages 3 to 5 with an accompanying caregiver. No walk-ins. Weather permitting. RR.

Cuentos y Actividades: Spanish Story & Activity
Thursdays, July 6, 13, 20 & 27
from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at SE
A Spanish-language experience featuring stories, music, movement and fun. Ages 1 to 4 with an accompanying caregiver.

Babytime
Fridays, July 7, 14, 21 & 28
from 10:30 to 11 a.m.
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Songs, rhymes, stories and more for babies up to 18 months old with an accompanying caregiver. Siblings welcome. RR.

Cuentos y Cantos Bilingual Storytime
Fridays, July 7, 14 & 21
from 11 to 11:30 a.m. at HB
Interactive readings, songs and activities in English and Spanish. Ages 2 to 5 with an accompanying caregiver. RR.

Read to Rescues
Saturday, July 8 from 1 to 2 p.m. at HB
Read to a trained therapy dog from Ridgefield Operation for Animal Rescue (ROAR). Bring a favorite book or pick one from the library before your 15-minute session. Ages 5 to 12. RR.

Community Helpers Storytime
Monday, July 10 from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at HB
Special storytime featuring a Stamford EMS worker who will lead an interactive program and share educational safety tips. RR.

Bennett Babies
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25
from 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. at HB
Songs, rhymes, stories and more for babies up to 18 months old with an accompanying caregiver. Siblings welcome. RR.

Outdoor Family Storytime
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25
from 10:30 to 11 a.m. at Latham Park
Themed storytime that features songs, fingerplays and movement activities. Ages 18 months to 4 with an accompanying caregiver, weather permitting.

Build with Lego®
Tuesdays, July 11, 18 & 25
from 2 to 3 p.m.
ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Do one of our building challenges and create anything you want using the library’s Lego® collection. Creations cannot be taken home. Grades K to 5. Ages 7 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. RR.

Paint a Tote Bag
Wednesday, July 12 from 3 to 4 p.m. at HB
Create original artwork on a tote bag you will be proud to carry around. Ages 10 and older. RR.

Friday Flicks
Fridays, July 14 & 28 from 2 to 4 p.m.
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
 spends the afternoon at the movies with us. Ages 6 and older
July 14: The Super Mario Bros. Movie (2023)
July 28: Puss in Boots: The Last Wish (2022)

Disney Screening: Encanto (2021)
Wednesday, July 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. at HB
Deep in the Colombian mountains, 15-year-old Mirabel has to face the frustration of being the only member of her family without magical powers. Starring Stephanie Beatriz, Maria Cecilia Botero and John Leguizamo. Rated PG. All ages. RR.

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ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Design a stained glass bookmark to use for all your summer reading. No experience necessary. Artwork will need to dry for 48 hours before picking it up at the library. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

TEEN SUMMER LEARNING CLUB
T-MAD Meeting
Thursday, July 13 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.
ML, Third Floor Board Room
Teens Making a Difference (T-MAD) advisory program, where you can learn about upcoming events, share reading suggestions and make a difference in the community. Participation counts as volunteer work. Pizza and other refreshments will be served. Grades 6 to 12. RR.

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Create a TEDx Talk. Teens and adults.

Game Night: Tokaido
Tuesday, July 11 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.
ML, First Floor New Materials Room
Play a game from the library’s collection, bring your own, or learn how to play this month’s featured game, Tokaido. Teens and adults. RR.

Retro Video Gaming
Saturday, July 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.
ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Have a bit of 8-bit fun playing retro games like Donkey Kong, Tetris, Pac-Man, Missile Command, Galaga, and many more. Teens and adults.

Women’s Self-Defense Workshop
Saturday, July 22 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.
ML, Dudley N. Williams, Jr. Auditorium
Instructor Malloy Zaleski. Teens and adults. RR.

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Make Stained Glass Bookmarks
Thursday, July 27 from 4 to 5 p.m.
ML, Lower Level Makerspace
Design a stained glass bookmark to use for all your summer reading. No experience necessary. Artwork will need to dry for 48 hours before picking it up at the library. Grades 6 to 12. RR.