# HARVARD PUBLIC LIBRARY

ADULT SUMMER NEWSLETTER - 2025



# **Library Hours:**

Mondays 10am-8pm Tuesdays 10am-8pm Wednesdays 10am-5pm

Thursdays: 10am-8pm

Fridays: 10am-2pm, (Closed July and August)
Saturdays: 10am-2pm (June-August)

Sundays: Closed

## It's Summer Time!

Need to escape the heat? Harvard
Public Library is happy to welcome
you in as you cool off and browse
our wide selection of books, DVDs,
magazines and more! We also have
plenty of programs this summer for
everyone to enjoy!



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# **Harvard Calling**

Saturday, May 17 12pm-4pm Library Pavilion

Join us for the first Harvard Calling music festival, a free afternoon of music, lawn games, and food at the library's pavilion!

### Hear music from local groups:

- One Twenty Too
- The Rule of Two
- The DulceTones
- The Rafters



Be sure to bring your own chair or blanket.
Attendees are welcome to bring their own food but food will also be available for purchase. Stay tuned for a list of food trucks!

Please note: Alcohol is not permitted on library property.



These programs have been generously sponsored by the Harvard Public Library Trust.

## WWII: Letters from a Young Soldier

Thursday, May 29 6pm-8pm Volunteers Hall

Join us as genealogist Seema-Jayne Kenney shares the history and stories found in over three hundred letters discovered in her uncle's attic.

Learn about the compelling story of her uncle's life as a young WWII soldier and his family's experiences back home. These letters document his service with the Fifth Army Headquarters, from registering at Fort Devens, training at two separate camps, then travelling overseas to Italy. He describes the work and the leisure, the rules, and the return trip. Letters from his family tell of their life at home during the war. Learn about or re-live the years 1943 - 45 as we travel through his time using the words of a 19 - year - old country boy and his family!

Register with this link:

https://harvardpubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/13829645



# Virtual: Creating a Tech-Healthy Family With Andrea Davis of Better Screen Time



Tuesday, June 17 7pm-8pm

Are you tired of screens taking over? Are you wondering how to help kids thrive in a digital world? Gain the confidence and tools you need to tackle tech head-on with our Tech-Healthy Family Formula. This formula provides five steps parents can take to help reduce screen time, restore family time, and finally feel peace of mind.

### Parents will learn how to:

- Create a family tech plan with their kids
- Take a slow-tech approach to introduce technology
- Teach their children about digital dangers and distractions

**About Andrea:** Andrea Davis is a former secondary education teacher turned screen time navigator. She is the founder of Better Screen Time, an Anxious Generation aligned organization, where she shares family-tested ideas from the (tech) trenches as a mom of five. She is on a mission to help parents worry less about tech and connect more with their kids.

RECORDING NOTE: This program will be recorded. All registrants will receive the recording via email within 48 hours of the program.

Presented in partnership with a wide array of Massachusetts and New Hampshire Libraries.

### Register via Zoom here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/6417393010169/WN\_sV40WR7ATRiRtJndSkB-Lg#/registration

These programs have been generously sponsored by the Harvard Public Library Trust.

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## Menopause 101

Thursday, June 26 6pm-8pm
Volunteers Hall

Join Laura Brown of Sapphire Women's
Healthcare for an evening of learning! She will be
discussing signs and symptoms of
perimenopause and menopause, treatment
options, and optimizing not just lifespan but also
healthspan! Topics will include cycle changes,
symptoms, management/treatment options,
hormone replacement therapy and debunking
myths, plus when to see a clinician, with plenty
of time for questions as well.



Register with this link:

https://harvardpubliclibrary.libcal.com/event/14342727

These programs have been generously sponsored by the Harvard Public Library Trust.

## Sing-A-Long Wednesday

Every Wednesday at 1pm from June 18-July 30
Library Pavilion or Volunteers Hall
(weather dependent)

Join us to sing along to your favorite musicals on Wednesdays this summer.

June 18 - The Sound of Music

June 25 - Mamma Mia

July 2 - Rent

July 9 - The Greatest Showman

July 16 - Dear Evan Hansen

July 23 - Annie (1982 version)

July 30 - West Side Story (2021 version)

No registration required





## Tiny Art Show

Saturday, August 9 10am-2pm Volunteers Hall



Create a work of art no larger than 3 inches x 3 inches in all directions and submit it to the library beginning July 28.

All mediums are strongly encouraged! You could create a tiny crocheted or knitted piece, or make a small sculpture, or submit a tiny photograph – as long as your art is no bigger than 3 inches in all directions!

For those who wish to create painted/drawn art, the library has tiny canvases available on a first come, first served basis; these are available at the circulation desk and the children's desk.

For more details and submission guidelines, please see our website.

## Create Your Tiny Art

Thursday, July 24 5:30pm-8pm Volunteers Hall

Bring your own supplies or use one of our small canvasses to create your submission for the Tiny Art Show. All submissions will be on display Sat. August 9th from 10am-2pm in Volunteers Hall.

# The Highwaymen: Songs & Stories with Matt York

Tuesday, August 5 6pm-8pm Library Pavilion

Longtime New England musician/author Matt York will perform the songs of Johnny Cash, Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson and Waylon Jennings and tell stories of their careers.

The four songwriting legends joined forces in the 1980's to form the country supergroup the Highwaymen. However, prior to that, they'd each established themselves as stars and their careers intersected many times since the 1960's.

In both 2022 and 2023, York was nominated for the Boston Music Award for Best Country Artist and in 2019, The Boston Globe named Matt York's new album "Bruisable Heart" one of their top albums.

Registration is not required but registrants will receive a reminder email.





# Council on Aging Pop-Up

Visit the Library at the COA! The first Thursday of every month from 11am-12:30pm, visitors to the COA will be able to browse, borrow, and request library items and even sign up for library cards!

16 Lancaster County Rd, Harvard, MA 01451

## Children's Lit. Book Group

Are you a grownup who loves to read children's books? You're not alone! Join this monthly book group for grownups and discuss children's literature with an awesome group of like- minded readers. See our website for more information.

https://www.harvardpubliclibrary.org/services/events

## **Brown Bag Book Club**

Meets the third Wednesday of every month September-May

 May 21 12:00pm - A Gentleman in Moscow by Amor Towles

## Cookbook Club



- May 20 6:30pm Japan
- August 23 6:30pm Picnic



## **Monday Afternoon Movies**

Join us in Volunteers Hall on a Monday afternoon every month for a movie starting at 1pm.

Check our website for upcoming movies.



## **Books @ Home**

Can't get to the library? Let us bring the library to you!

If you, or someone you know has difficulty getting to the library, either temporarily or on a long term basis, we are happy to help!

Contact Jill Hayes at <u>978-456-4114</u> or <u>jhayes@cwmars.org</u>. Jill will put together a bag of library materials and check it out for you. Then, someone will call to arrange a mutually convenient time to drop off the bag.

When you are ready for more books, call Jill at the library. She will put together a new bag and someone will drop it off and collect the books that need to be returned.

Note: There are no late fees or fines for library books.

https://www.harvardpubliclibrary.org/services/books-home









## Seed Library



The Harvard Seed Library is one of a handful of seed libraries in Massachusetts! We allow you the opportunity to borrow organic seeds from our library and bring them home to plant. All we ask is that you return some of the next generation seeds for other patrons to borrow. And thus we sustain our library! https://www.harvardpubliclibrary.org/services/hpl-seed-library

## Library of Things - Garden Tools!

Come check out our new gardening tools to help with your outdoor projects! Generously donated by the Conservation Commission.

### Museum Passes

Harvard Public Library offers a variety of museum passes for our patrons. All Museum Passes are provided by the Friends of the Harvard Public Library. Some examples of the museum passes we offer are Davis Farmland, New England Aquarium, the Zoo New England and more!

https://www.harvardpubliclibrary.org/services/museum-passes