


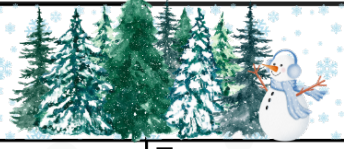


# November 2023

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<b>WINTER HOURS START DEC. 1ST!</b> Monday-Thursday: 9am-8pm Friday: 10am-5pm Saturday: 9am-5pm				<b>1</b> 10:00AM Needleworkers 3:00PM Winter Wellness Series with Chris Connelly	<b>2</b> 9:15AM Fiction Critique 2:00PM Drop-In Tech Help
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## KEY

Tech Help

Indoor Program

Virtual Program

Book & Writing Groups

Crafts & Interest Groups



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# Adult Programs

November/December 2023

Most events require registration. Please register at [wilmlibrary.org/events](http://wilmlibrary.org/events) or call 978-658-2967.

The Wilmington Memorial Library is committed to making library services accessible to all users. Please inform library staff at [access@wilmlibrary.org](mailto:access@wilmlibrary.org) if you encounter any accessibility issues and notify us of any accommodations or auxiliary aids you need in order to use the library or its resources.

## IT'S THE HOLIDAY SEASON AT WML

### Celebrate Diwali with a Henna Workshop

Saturday, November 4, 10am



Let's celebrate the festival of lights, Diwali, and learn henna art. In this henna workshop we will learn about the history and practice of henna, a temporary body art made from dye prepared with organic powder, essential oils, sugar, and water.

You will have the opportunity to practice techniques such as rolling a henna cone and designing small motifs, and will decorate clay diya with henna designs. This fun, informal class is open to people of all artistic abilities.

### Holiday Spice Mix Workshop

Monday, November 6, 2:30pm

Whether it's the aroma of Thanksgiving stuffing or a warm glass of spiced cider, nothing compares to the scents and flavors of the holiday season. Come learn how to make pumpkin spice, mulling spices for wine or cider, and other holiday spice blends. Participants will leave with their own blend of a holiday spice mixture, along with recipes for other mixtures. Great for gifts!



### Holiday Romance Book Recommendations with Library Journal Reviewer, John Charles

Monday, December 11, 7pm (VIRTUAL PROGRAM)  
With the holidays right around the corner, take a minute (or an hour) to relax and find some good holiday romance reads! John Charles will give us his "best of" list of 2023 that will have your TBR pile tipping over and your holidays spent cozying up to a good book (bring your own hot toddy!). No need to bring papyrus and quill, we'll send out a list after the session.



### A Christmas Carol with Delvena Theatre Company

Thursday, December 21, 6:30pm

The Delvena Theatre Company presents a dramatic reading, with scenes, of *A Christmas Carol*. Watch as Marley comes back from the dead to help Scrooge amend his miserly ways here on earth and transform himself into a pleasant gentleman. The Charles Dickens' classic will be performed, complete with period costumes and classic Christmas music, by Lynne Moulton, Joseph Zamparelli and Fran Baron.



### A Letter from WML Director - Kate Coraccio

Hello Wilmington! I wanted to introduce myself to this community. I am honored and delighted to be your new Library Director. I have spent my career serving the public, first as a high school history teacher and later expanding my audience as a public librarian. In my latest position, I was the Deputy Director for Borrower Services at Worcester Public Library. I have always been passionate about library services and advocating for access to information. I am a mother to an outgoing five-year-old son and an avid true crime reader.

Libraries are one of the only places left where everyone is welcome and access is truly "free to all." We have a talented staff who are passionate about serving this community. I would like to invite you all to come down to the library and chat with me during our "Coffee & Chat with the Director" sessions to chat about what you need from your library. I look forward to meeting everyone and working together to write the next chapter of the Wilmington Memorial Library!



Coffee & Chat Sessions: Tuesday, 11/14, 5:30-6:30pm; Wednesday, 11/15, 10-11am; Friday, 11/17, 2-3pm



# Indoor/Outdoor Programs

## WWII: Letters to and from a Young Soldier

Tuesday, November 7, 7pm

Professional genealogist Seema Kenney discovered over 300 hundred letters in her uncle's attic about his life as a WWII soldier, detailing his service with the Fifth Army Headquarters. Learn about or re-live the years 1943-45 as we travel through time using the words of a 19-year-old boy!



## Winter Birdwatching

Saturday, December 9, 10am

Learn to identify backyard birds and go on a winter birdwatching walk through Wildwood Cemetery with Andrew Prazar of Northshore Nature Programs.

## Mystery Making with Sisters in Crime

Thursday, December 14, 6:30pm

In this fun, fast-paced improv game, four authors

representing different sub-genres in mystery fiction will brainstorm to create a brand new mystery using suggestions from the audience. Sisters in Crime New England is a chapter of the international organization Sisters in Crime.



Sisters in Crime  
NEW ENGLAND

## Intro to ChatGPT

Monday, November 13, 7pm

Come see the ChatGPT AI in action. You will see what it can do and find out what the legal and ethical concerns are. Led by Technology Librarian Brad.

## Streaming Services and Other Alternatives to Cable

Monday, December 11, 6:30pm

Come join Technology Librarian Brad as he presents alternatives to cable, such as Netflix and the library. While not all free, the alternatives will save you quite a bit of money every month.

## Puzzle Race

Thursday, December 28, 6-7:30pm

Puzzle Race is back! Assemble your team of up to four people for a chance at puzzle victory. The first team to complete a 500 piece puzzle will take home all the glory (and a prize).



## Tech Help

One-on-One, 10am

NOVEMBER

Tuesday: 14, 21, 28

Thursday: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

DECEMBER

Tuesday: 5, 12, 19, 26

Thursday: 7, 14, 21, 28



Drop-In, 2pm

NOVEMBER

Tuesday: 7, 14, 21, 28

Wednesday: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Saturday: 4, 18

DECEMBER

Tuesday: 5, 12, 19, 26

Wednesday: 6, 13, 20, 27

Saturday: 2, 9, 30

# Book & Writing Groups

## Pints + Pages

Thursday, November 2, 7pm

A social book group geared towards readers in their 20's & 30's. Hosted by librarians from the Wilmington and Tewksbury public libraries.

**Featured Title:** *We Ride Upon Sticks* by Quan Barry



## Poetry Circle

(Virtual)

Saturday, November 18, 9:15am

Saturday, December 16, 9:15am

Do you enjoy writing poetry? Want input on your work? If so this is the group for you! Led by Barbara Alevras.

## Fiction Critique Group

(Virtual)

Saturday, November 4, 9:15am

Saturday, December 2, 9:15am

This Critique Group is a great opportunity to meet other writers & get constructive feedback in a supportive space. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

## Bookends Book Group

Monday, November 27, 10am

Note: No meeting in December

This book group discusses contemporary books, both fiction and non-fiction. Led by Library Associate Rebecca.

**Featured Title:** *Rules of Civility* by Amor Towles



## Novel Ideas

Thursday, November 16, 7pm

Note: No meeting in December

Enjoy reading fiction? Join our fiction book group led by Adult Services Librarian Erin.

**Featured Title:** *The Seed Keeper* by Diane Wilson



## Creative Writing Group

(Virtual)

Tuesday, November 28, 7pm

Note: No meeting in December

Learn and apply creative writing tips, tools, and techniques shared by published authors and other writing experts. Open to all who want to improve their creative writing skills and get their work published. Led by Barbara Alevras.

# AROUND THE LIBRARY

## Thank you to the Friends!



Funding for many library programs comes from the Friends book store sales, membership drives, and annual appeal funds. When you support the Friends, you support the library.



**Book Store Next Door**  
Wednesdays & Saturdays, 10am-4pm

Shop for gently used books!  
Paperbacks \$1, Hardcover \$2. Good condition donations of up to 2 boxes accepted during open hours.

# Craft & Interest Groups

## Needleworking

### Needleworkers

Fridays at 10am

November Dates: 3 & 17

December Dates: 1, 15, 22, & 29

This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop-in.

### Needleworkers at Night

Mondays at 6:30pm

November Dates: 6 & 20

December Dates: 4 & 18

These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in.

## Craft & Chat

Wednesday, November 8, 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 13, 6:30pm

Enjoy making a craft while socializing with others! Led by Friends of WML member Rachelle Toth. **Ages 16+**

**November Craft:** Thanksgiving Banner

**December Craft:** Snow Globes



## Game On!

Tuesday, November 28, 6:30pm

Tuesday, December 26, 6:30pm

Play a number of board games under the guidance of gaming enthusiast Scot Crispin. **Ages 12+**

## Cookin' the Books

Tuesday, November 14, 12pm

Tuesday, December 12, 12pm

If you love to cook and enjoy talking about food & sharing recipes then this group is for you. Bring your dish to the meeting and enjoy sampling everyone's dishes! Led by Circulation Librarian Lisa.

**November Cookbook:** *Dinner in One* by Melissa Clark

**December Cookbook:** *Everyday Grand* by Jocelyn Delk Adams



## Reading Rivals is Back!

October 1 to November 22

Join us for the third-annual Reading Rivals competition against Tewksbury Public Library! Whichever library logs the most minutes wins. **Books, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, and graphic novels all count.**

We also have weekly prize drawings and grand prizes for participating patrons!

•\$20 local restaurant gift cards (Weekly raffles)

•\$50 Adult & \$50 Youth Prizes (Log at least 5 hours of reading for entry)

•\$100 All Ages Grand Prize (Log at least 10 hours of reading for entry)

So far both libraries have been neck and neck, but there's still plenty of time left in the competition to out-read TPL!

Encourage family, friends, neighbors—anyone you know to join Team Wilmington and help us win back The Reading Cup!



# Virtual Programs

## 50+ Job Seekers

Wednesday, November 1 & 15, 9:30am

Wednesday, December 6 & 20, 9:30am

Join us in a professional forum for networking in a safe and comfortable environment. Each meeting features a new topic.

## Baking Demo & Discussion with Chef Erin Jeanne McDowell

Tuesday, December 5, 7pm

Who doesn't like a bit of holiday baking? Join chef and cookbook author Erin Jeanne McDowell for a virtual baking demonstration and discussion. Erin will demonstrate how to make one of her favorite recipes and answer some questions from attendees!



## The Winter Blues: Defeating Seasonal Affect Disorder

Thursday, November 30, 7pm

Join Dr. Norman E. Rosenthal for strategies to identify, treat, and overcome Seasonal Affective Disorder. Dr. Norman Rosenthal is the world renowned psychiatrist, researcher, and best-selling author who first described seasonal affective disorder (SAD) and pioneered the use of light therapy as a treatment during his 20 years at the National Institute of Mental Health. A prolific researcher and author, he has authored and co-authored over 300 scholarly articles and ten popular books. These include *Winter Blues*, *Poetry Rx*, the New York Times bestseller *Transcendence* and the national bestsellers, *The Gift of Adversity* and *Super Mind*. His latest book is *Defeating SAD: A guide to Health and Happiness Through All Seasons*. Thank you to Wilmington Family Counseling for their support of this program.

