

## Adult Classes and Programs at WPL

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### LIBRARY CLOSINGS:

June 19: Juneteenth  
June 27: OPEN 2 - 5:30 p.m.  
July 4: Independence Day  
Aug. 31: Labor Day

(R) Register at [mywpl.org](http://mywpl.org)  
or call 508-799-1655.

### WRITING WORKSHOPS

#### Creative Writing Workshop

Wednesdays, June 5, July 10, Aug. 28  
7 - 8 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Join a group writing session.

#### Blackout Poetry (R)

Saturday, June 22, July 20, Aug. 17  
4 - 5 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Remove text to form poems.

### ARTS & CRAFTS

#### Seashell Painting (R)

Saturdays, June 1, July 6, Aug. 3  
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.  
Innovation Center  
Join us for a coastal craft.



**WORCESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**DOG DAYS OF SUMMER**  
**READING**

June 15 - August 10, 2024  
Join us to have lots of fun, earn prizes, and pet dogs! [mywpl.beanstack.org](http://mywpl.beanstack.org)

#### Candy Bouquet Creation (R)

Saturday, June 8  
12 - 1 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Create your own candy bouquet.



#### DIY Crafts for Adults

Wednesdays, June - Aug.  
3 - 4:30 p.m.  
Innovation Center  
Join us for summer crafts.



#### Sewing Machine Instruction (R)

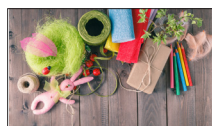
Saturdays, June 8, 22, July 6, 20, Aug. 3, 17  
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
Innovation Center  
Sign up for a one-on-one session to learn the basics.

#### DIY Beauty (R)

Wednesdays, June 12, July 17, Aug. 14  
7 - 7:30 p.m.  
Innovation Center  
June 12: Rose salt scrub  
July 17: Rose clay mask  
Aug. 14: Coconut oil & aloe vera hair mask

#### Craft Swap

Saturday, July 13  
12 - 4 p.m.  
Banx Room  
Declutter and pick up some new supplies at our craft swap.



#### Floral Arranging Workshop (R)

Saturday, Aug. 3  
2 - 3 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Learn from master floral designer Jenna Elliott and make your own bouquet.

### BOOK CLUBS

#### True Crime Book Club (R)

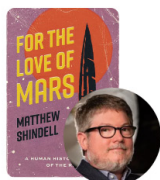
Wednesdays, June 5, July 3, Aug. 7  
7 - 8 p.m.  
Zoom  
June 5: *Last Call: A True Story of Love, Lust, and Murder in Queer New York* by Elon Green  
July 3: *Savage Appetites: Four True Stories of Women, Crime and Obsession* by Rachel Monroe  
Aug. 7: *While the City Slept* by Eli Sanders

#### Banned Book Club in partnership with Outstanding Life (R)

Tuesdays, June 11, July 9, Aug. 13  
7 - 8 p.m.  
Zoom  
June 11: *All Boys Aren't Blue: A Memoir-Manifesto* by George M. Johnson  
July 9: *The Color Purple* by Alice Walker  
Aug. 13: *Me and Earl and the Dying Girl* by Jesse Andrews

# Learn, Create, and Connect at

## VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS



**MATT SHINDELL**  
JUNE 3 @ 2 PM



**FREIDA MCFADDEN**  
JUNE 13 @ 8 PM



**TIFFANY JEWELL**  
JUNE 20 @ 2 PM



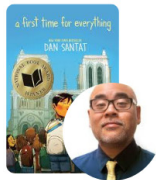
**KATE DICAMILLO**  
JULY 9 @ 2 PM



**MAX BRALLIER**  
JULY 16 @ 2 PM



**ELIZABETH ACEVEDO**  
JULY 23 @ 2 PM



**DAN SANTAT**  
JULY 30 @ 2 PM



**JENNIFER LEVASSEUR**  
AUGUST 7 @ 2 PM



**IRENA SMITH**  
AUGUST 15 @ 2 PM



**SHELBY VAN PELT**  
AUGUST 21 @ 7 PM

Enjoy this lineup of author talks from bestselling authors from a variety of genres Register at: [libraryc.org/mywpl](http://libraryc.org/mywpl)

Monday, June 3 at 2 p.m.  
Matt Shindell

Thursday, June 13 at 8 p.m.  
Freida McFadden

Thursday, June 20 at 2 p.m.  
Tiffany Jewell

Tuesday, July 9 at 2 p.m.  
Mercy Wilson & Kate DiCamillo

Tuesday, July 16 at 2 p.m.  
Max Brallier

Tuesday, July 23 at 2 p.m.  
Elizabeth Acevedo

Tuesday, July 30 at 2 p.m.  
Dan Santat

Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 2 p.m.  
Dr. Jennifer Levasseur

Thursday, Aug. 15 at 2 p.m.  
Irena Smith, Phd

Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 7 p.m.  
Shelby Van Pelt

Recordings can be viewed at:  
[libraryc.org/mywpl/archive](http://libraryc.org/mywpl/archive).

**Science Fiction Book Club (R)**  
Tuesdays, June 18, July 16, Aug. 20  
1 - 2 p.m.

Ages 16+  
Zoom

June 18: *This is How You Lose the Time War* by Amal El-Mohtar  
July 16: *A Canticle for Leibowitz* by Walter M. Miller, Jr.  
Aug. 20: *Red Rising* by Pierce Brown

**Popular Fiction Book Club (R)**  
Wednesdays, June 26, July 24, Aug. 28  
7 - 8 p.m.

First Floor Meeting Room  
June 26: *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley  
July 24: *Dog Days* by Ericka Waller  
Aug. 28: *The Librarianist* by Patrick DeWitt

## COMMUNITY & CULTURE

**Office Hours with the Social Services Specialist**  
Wednesdays, 1 - 4 p.m.  
Thursdays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Community Resources Office  
If you or a loved one is struggling with homelessness, food insecurity, a mental health disorder, or substance abuse, drop in to find and connect with local resources and services.

**Know Your Rights: Landlord and Tenants**  
Wednesday, June 5  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Banx Room  
Learn about the rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords.

## ABC's of Bike Repair with Landry's Bicycles

Tuesday, June 4  
6 - 7 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Learn how to maintain your bicycle.

## LEGO Club for Adults

Tuesdays, June 4, July 2, Aug. 6  
6 - 8:30 p.m.  
Innovation Center

## Saturday Movie Matinee (R)

Saturdays, June 8, July 20, Aug. 17  
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Free popcorn bar, doors open at 2 p.m.

## Scrabble Time

Saturdays, June 8, July 6, Aug. 3  
9:30 - 11 a.m.

## Rainbow Dinner (R)

Tuesday, June 18  
6 - 7:30 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
A night of fun, food, and friends for the LGBTQ+ community and allies.

## Haunted Happenings with Jeff DePaoli (R)

Thursdays, June 20, July 18, Aug. 15  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
Zoom  
Join us each month for spooky stories.

## Meet the Service Dog in Training (R)

Wednesday, June 26  
Thursdays, July 25 & Aug. 22  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Main Library

## Drag BINGO (R)

Saturday, June 29  
2 - 3 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Prizes - Performance - Mocktails!



## Worcester's Hidden Forests and Brooks! An Adventure with the Greater Worcester Land Trust to Worcester's Wild Spaces (R)

Tuesday, July 9  
7 - 8 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Explore local wild spaces.

# the Worcester Public Library

## The Science of Wine (R)

Saturday, July 13

2 - 4 p.m.

Saxe Room

Learn about the science behind wine production.



## NASA Nights at WPL

Tuesday, July 30 & Wednesday, July 31

4 - 6 p.m.

First Floor Computer Lab

NASA's citizen science projects are collaborations between scientists and interested members of the public. If you are interested, come join NASA Solar System Ambassador and do some citizen science at your local library.

## COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY

### Access Digital Studio

Use Adobe Creative Cloud, photo scanner and VHS converter. Check in at Newspapers & Magazines Desk, valid CW MARS card is required. DIY sessions for conversion and digitization need a WPL certificate of completion.

### Digitizing Family Photos, Slides, or VHS Tapes (R)

Wednesdays

5:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Digital Studio

Learn to use our equipment.

### Misinformation, Disinformation, and Fake News: How to Evaluate What You Hear (R)

Thursday, July 18: 4 - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 27: 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

First Floor Computer Lab

Learn to evaluate information sources.

### Intro to Robotics (R)

Tuesdays, June 4, July 9

6 - 8 p.m.

First Floor Computer Lab

Use programming to control a small robot.

## ESOL & CITIZENSHIP

### Office Hours with the New Americans Librarian

Tuesdays, June - Aug.

1 - 4 p.m.

Community Resources Office

## ESOL Navigator

Mondays: 1 - 4 p.m.

Fridays: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Community Resources Office

Help finding an English Class.

## English Conversation Circle

Tuesdays, June - July

5:30 - 7 p.m.

Banx Room

## Everyday English Class

Mondays & Wednesdays

10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Saturdays

1 - 3 p.m.

First Floor Meeting Room

## Citizenship Class

Tuesdays

9 - 11 a.m.

First Floor Meeting Room

Prepare for the U.S. citizenship exam.

## Free Immigration Legal Help Clinic (R)

Wednesdays, June 12, July 10, Aug. 14

4 - 7 p.m.

First Floor Ellipse

Free 45-minute consultations with

immigration attorneys. Register by

calling 508-799-1655 ext. 3.

## GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY

### Genealogy Club (R)

Wednesdays, June 26, July 17, Aug. 21

7 - 8 p.m.

Zoom

Chat with fellow genealogists.

### Ordinary People: Tracking Your Family through the United States Census 1790-1950 (R)

Saturday, June 15

4:15 - 5:15 p.m.

Zoom

Track your ancestry through U.S.

census records.

### Military Records for Genealogy (R)

Saturday, June 27

4:15 - 5:15 p.m.

Zoom

Learn how to find military records.

## The Dog Days of Worcester (R)

Saturday, Aug. 24

4:15 - 5:15 p.m.

Banx Room

Learn about the rich history of the city's animal population.

## HEALTHY LIVING

### Nutrition Classes with Judy Palken, Registered Dietitian (R)

Saturdays, June 1, July 27, Aug. 17

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

First Floor Computer Lab

June 1: A Focus on the Kitchen

July 27: The Art of Vegetables

Aug. 17: The Art of Fruit

### Zumba (R)

Saturdays, June 1, 29, July 13, Aug. 3, 17

10 - 10:45 a.m.

Banx Room

Work-out clothes, sneakers, water recommended. Ages 12+.



### De-Stress with Dogs

Mondays, June 10, July 8, Aug. 12

3:30 - 5 p.m.

Saturdays, June 22, July 20, Aug. 17

11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

First Floor Ellipse

Visit with a registered therapy dog from Tufts Paws for People.

### Lunchtime Yoga (R)

Thursdays, June - Aug.

12 - 1 p.m.

Saxe Room

Yoga taught by Kate Dalrymple of Kula Yoga. Bring a mat and water.

### Saturday Morning Beach Meditation (R)

Saturdays, June - Aug.

11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Saxe Room

Join us for a recorded meditation with the sounds and scents of the beach.



### Mass Audubon Broad Meadow Brook: Introduction to Forest Bathing: Healing with Nature (R)

Saturday, June 14  
9:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
Broad Meadow Brook  
Join Nadine Mazzola, Certified Forest Therapy Guide, for a series of gentle activities to help engage with nature.

### Hands-only CPR Training (R)

Saturdays, June 22, July 27  
10 - 10:45 a.m. or 11 - 11:45 a.m.  
Banx Room  
Join us for one of these free 45-minute sessions with UMass medical students.

### COOKING

### Ice Cream Sundae Board (R)

Saturday, July 6  
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Make your own sundae topping board in honor of National Ice Cream Month.

### In the Kitchen with Librarian Olivia (R)

Wednesday, Aug. 21  
6:30 - 8 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Looking for an easy summer recipe filled with veggies? Learn how to make a delicious summer succotash in 30 minutes.

### SMALL BUSINESS & FINANCIAL LITERACY

### Introduction to Finding Grants for Nonprofits (R)

Mondays, June 10, July 8, Aug. 12  
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
An overview of grant-seeking process for nonprofits using the Foundation Directory database.

### Steps to Starting a Business (R)

Tuesday, June 11  
1 - 2:30 p.m.  
Zoom  
Tools and tips to get you started.

### Starting a Business 101 (R)

Monday, June 17: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Monday, Aug. 26: 4 - 5 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Presented by the City's Executive Office of Economic Development.



### Business Plan Basics (R)\*

Tuesday, June 25  
1 - 2:30 p.m.  
Zoom  
Overview of writing a business plan.

### UEI Workshop (R)

Monday, July 22: 1 - 2 p.m.  
Thursday, Aug. 29: 10 - 11 a.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Workshop for those who have applied for the City of Worcester Diverse Business Certification grant. Presented by the City of Worcester, Executive Office of Economic Development.

### Money Matters: Retirement Planning (R)\*

Thursday, July 11  
3 - 4 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Presented by M&T Bank with MassEdCo Gear-up Worcester.

### Money Matters: Managing Debt (R)\*

Tuesday, Aug. 20  
6 - 7 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Presented by M&T Bank with MassEdCo Gear-up Worcester.

### ONE-ON-ONE

### Make a One-on-One Appointment with a Librarian (R)

Main Library  
Get help with the following:  
• convert audio and video files  
• digitize family photos  
• DIY investing resources  
• ebook & digital media help  
• genealogy research  
• nonprofit and grant research  
• Python & SQL homework help  
• small business research assistance  
Register at:  
[mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian](http://mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian)

### RESUMÉ HELP

### Online Resume Help

Get help with your resume by submitting at:  
[mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian](http://mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian).

### COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY

Saturday, Aug. 10  
11:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.  
Library Lane  
Join WPL for our fourth annual Community block party for all ages! The event will include free FUN activities and entertainment, plus food trucks and vendors.

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