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LIBRARY CLOSINGS:
- Sept. 2 & 4: Labor Day
- Oct. 9: Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples’ Day
- Nov. 10, 11, 12: Veterans Day
- Nov. 22: Close at 5:30 p.m.
- Nov. 23: Thanksgiving

(R) Register at mywpl.org or call 508-799-1655 ext. 3

PRIDE WORCESTER

Pride Fest Party*
Saturday, Sept. 9
12 - 2 p.m.
First Floor Ellipse
Photo station, free water, candy, & swag. Easy Pride looks with makeup artist Geo Sanchez.

Rainbow Dinner (R)*
Wednesday, Sept. 27
6 - 8 p.m.
Banx Room
Join us for a night of fun, food, and friends for the LG-BTQ+ community and allies. Dinner will be from Peppercorn’s Grille & Tavern. This program is free and open to everyone ages 15 & older.

PRIDE WORCESTER

AUTHOR EVENTS

Enjoy this lineup of author talks from bestselling authors from a variety of genres. Register at: https://libraryc.org/mywpl

- Thursday, Sept. 7 at 7 p.m.
  Lidia Bastianich
- Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 2 p.m.
  Adam Alter
- Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 8 p.m.
  Amor Towles
- Tuesday, Oct. 10 at 4 p.m.
  Rick Steves
- Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 2 p.m.
  Ruth Ware
- Thursday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.
  John Irving
- Wednesday, Nov. 1 at 8 p.m.
  John Stamos
- Thursday, Nov. 9 at 2 p.m.
  Tiffany Aliche
- Thursday, Nov. 16 at 4 p.m.
  Joy Harjo
- Thursday, Nov. 30 at 3 p.m.
  Naomi Alderman

POETRY

Poetry Writing Workshop with Susan Roney-O’Brien (R)*
Saturday, Oct. 14
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
First Floor Computer Lab
This poetry workshop is a vehicle for critique, a time of close reading and thoughtful responses that help craft the written word.

COMMUNITY & CULTURE

Rise Up! Indigenous Music in North America (R)*
Tuesday, Sept. 12
6 - 8 p.m.
Saxe Room
Covering over 500 years of history, Rise Up! Indigenous Music in North America masterfully combines deep research with personal stories by four dozen award-winning Indigenous musicians, providing an unprecedented eye-and-ear-opening look at Indigenous music, spirituality, and life.

Voter Registration Drive
Tuesday, Sept. 19
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Lobby
Do you need to register to vote or update your voter information? In honor of National Voter Registration Day, the League of Women Voters - Worcester Area will be holding a Voter Registration Drive.

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Learn, Create, and Connect at the Worcester Public Library

DIY Crafts for Adults
Wednesdays, Sept. - Nov. 3 - 4:30 p.m.
Innovation Center
Upcoming crafts may include sun printed art, wood round pumpkins, mummy jars, and button creation.

Knitting
Thursdays, Sept. - Nov. 2:15 - 3:15 p.m.
Banx Room/Zoom
Needlecraft enthusiasts can join us in person or virtually.

Sewing Machine Instruction for Adults (R)
Tuesdays, Sept. 5, 19, Oct. 3, 17, 31, Nov. 14, 28
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Thursdays, Sept. 14, 28, Oct. 26, Nov. 9
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Innovation Center
Sign up for a one-on-one session to learn the basics of using a Brother Sewing & Quilting Machine.

Easy Sewing Projects for Adults*
Saturdays, Sept. 16, 30, Oct. 14, 28, Nov. 4, 18
9:30 - 11 a.m.
Innovation Center
Bring in your own sewing or benefit from the experience of Instructor Claudia. A different simple project will be demonstrated each week.

Cricut Maker for Beginners I: Learn the Design Software (R) §
Tuesdays, Sept. 5, Oct. 17, Nov. 21
5:30 - 7 p.m.
Innovation Center
Learn how to design signs, stickers, labels, and more.

Cricut Maker for Beginners II: Learn to Use the Machine (R) §
Tuesdays, Sept. 12, Oct. 24, Nov. 28
5:30 - 7 p.m.
Innovation Center
Learn to print, prepare, and apply your design.

Pause and Play Games & Puzzles
Fiction/Newspapers & Magazines Area

STOP THE BLEED® Course (R)
Saturday, Sept. 30
11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Banx Room
UMass Memorial’s Injury Prevention Department is offering a free STOP THE BLEED® course for people interested in learning this life saving skill.

Film Showing & Discussion: Pakachoag: Where the River Bends (R)
Wednesday, Oct. 4
6:30 - 8 p.m.
Saxe Room
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Tuesday, Oct. 24
6 - 8:15 p.m.
Saxe Room
Join us for a showing of this Shudder Original documentary, an untold history of Black Americans through their connection to the horror film genre. Film co-writer and co-producer, Ashlee Blackwell, will join us virtually.

Pumpkin Party (R)
Saturday, Oct. 28
2 - 4 p.m.
Banx Room
Join us for pumpkin decorating, mocktails, and viewing of “Practical Magic.”

Trick or Treat
Sunday, Oct. 29
1 - 2:30 p.m.
Ghouls and goblins of all ages are welcome to trick or treat.

Social Services Resource Fair
Tuesday, Nov. 14
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Newspapers & Magazines Area
Drop in and talk to staff from local social service agencies.

True Crime Book Club (R)
Wednesdays, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1
7 - 8 p.m.
Zoom
Sept. 6: Dancing with the Octopus by Debora Harding
Oct. 4: Who Killed These Girls? by Beverly Lowry
Nov. 1: The Year We Disappeared by Cylin Busby

Science Fiction Book Club (R)
Tuesdays, Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21
1 - 2 p.m.
Ages 16+
Zoom
Sept. 19: Will Do Magic For Small Change by Andrea Hairston
Oct. 17: Angel of Europa by Allen Steele
Nov. 21: Into the Drowning Deep by Mira Grant

Popular Fiction Book Club (R)
Wednesdays, Sept. 27, Oct. 25
7 - 8 p.m.
First Floor Meeting Room
Sept. 27: This Is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel
Oct. 25: Hell of a Book by Jason Mott

Reflections of a Love Supreme: Motown Through The Eyes of Fans (R)*
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**DIY Beauty**  
Wednesdays, Sept. 20, Oct. 25  
7 - 8 p.m.  
Innovation Center  
Learn how to create simple recipes for foaming hand wash and face masks.

**Physically Adaptive Weaving 101**  
Thursday, Oct. 5  
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
Saxe Room  
Program presented by Took Storm, a physically disabled and chronically fatigued weaver from Western Mass.

**Halloween Flower Arranging**  
Sunday, Oct. 22  
1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
Banx Room  
Learn about flower arranging with Sally Jablonski, award-winning designer of Herbert E. Berg Florist.

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**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 and are available during library hours.

**Computer and Internet for Beginners**  
Fridays, Sept. 8, 22, Oct. 6, 20, Nov. 3, 17  
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab

**Computer Programming: Python for Beginners (R) §**  
Tuesdays, Sept. 12 - Oct. 17  
6:30 - 8:15 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Introduction to the world of computer programming, using Python. Register for 1st week only.

**Computer Programming: Introduction to SQL (R) §**  
Tuesdays, Nov. 7 & 14  
6:30 - 8:15 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Covers SQL CRUD operation basics in a Python programming environment.

**Digitizing Family Photos, Slides, or VHS Tapes (R)**  
Wednesdays, Sept. - Nov.  
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Digital Studio  
Learn to use our digitization and conversion equipment.

**Device Safety (R)**  
Thursday, Oct. 19  
10 - 11 a.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Basic safety advice to follow.

**Discovering Podcasts (R)**  
Wednesday, Sept. 27  
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Learn how to discover, download and listen to podcasts.

**Misinformation, Disinformation, and Fake News: How to Evaluate What You Hear (R)**  
Monday, Nov. 6  
10 - 11 a.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Learn to evaluate sources of information.

**Social Media Basics (R)**  
Thursday, Oct. 5  
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.  
First Floor Computer Lab  
Learn the basics of social media.

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**ESOL & CITIZENSHIP**

**Office Hours with the New Americans Librarian**  
Tuesdays, Sept. - Nov.  
1 - 4 p.m.  
Community Resources Office

**Everyday English Class**  
Mondays & Wednesdays  
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
First Floor Meeting Room  
Drop-in to this student-centered class.

**English Conversation Circle**  
Tuesdays, Sept. - Nov.  
5:30 - 7 p.m.  
Banx Room

**ESOL Navigator †**  
Mondays, 1 - 4 p.m.  
Fridays, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.  
Wednesdays, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, 4 - 7 p.m.  
Community Resources Office  
Help finding an English Class.

**Citizenship Class**  
Wednesdays & Thursdays  
9 - 11 a.m.  
First Floor Meeting Room  
Prepare for the U.S. citizenship exam.

**Online TOEFL Prep Course (R) †**  
Saturdays, Sept. 9 - Oct. 28  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Zoom  
A guided study course.

**Language Exchange**  
Saturdays, Sept. 9, 23, Oct. 7, 21, Nov. 4, 18  
9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
First Floor Ellipse  
Share your language and culture.

**Club del libro en español**  
Mondays, Oct. 2, Nov. 6  
6 - 7 p.m.  
Frances Perkins Branch  
Nos reunimos para hablar de libros en español.

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**GENEALOGY & LOCAL HISTORY**

**Genealogy 101 (R)**  
Saturday, Sept. 9  
4:15 - 5:15 p.m.  
Zoom  
Get started with genealogy research.

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§ Basic knowledge of computers and a valid email address is required.

† Brought to you with federal funds provided by IMLS and administered by the MBLC.
De-Stress with Dogs
Mondays, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20
3:30 - 5 p.m.
First Floor Ellipse
Visit with a registered therapy dog from Tufts Paws for People.

Nutrition Classes with Judy Palken, Registered Dietitian (R)*
Saturdays, Sept. 23, Oct. 28, Nov. 18
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
First Floor Computer Lab
Sept. 23: Eating for Cognitive Health
Oct. 28: Your Plant-Based Diet
Nov. 18: Nutrition and Beauty

Zumba*(R)
Saturdays, Sept. - Nov. (except 9/2, 9/16, 10/7, 11/11, 11/25)
10 - 10:45 a.m.
Saxe Room
Presented by M&T Bank.
Sept. 26: Budgeting
Oct. 3: Buying a Car
Oct. 10: Considering Home Ownership

Steps to Starting a Business (R)*
Tuesday, Oct. 10
1 - 2:30 p.m.
Zoom
Tools and tips to get you started.

Business Plan Basics (R)*
Tuesday, Oct. 24
1 - 2:30 p.m.
Zoom
Overview of writing a business plan.

Starting a Business 101 (R)
Friday, Sept. 29, 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 23, 3 - 4 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 29, 1 - 2 p.m.
First Floor Computer Lab
Fundamentals of starting a small business, presented by the City of Worcester, Executive Office of Economic Development.

ONE-ON-ONE
Make a One-on-One Appointment with a Librarian (R)
Main Library/Zoom
Get help with the following:
• convert audio and video files
• digitize family photos
• DIY investing resources
• ebook & audiobook help
• genealogy research
• nonprofit and grant research
• Python & SQL homework help
• small business research assistance
Register at:
mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian

RESUMÉ HELP
Online Resume Help
Get help with your resume by submitting at:
mywpl.org/article/ask-librarian.
(R) Register at mywpl.org or call 508-799-1655 ext. 3.
§ Basic knowledge of computers and a valid email address is required.