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ONGOING PROGRAMS

BOOK CLUB -

MAY 5, 2026



KNITTING -

MAY 12, 19, 26



STORYHOUR-

MAY 6, 13, 20, 27



May always feels like the month where everything starts happening at once. The calendar fills up quickly, the weather still cannot quite make up its mind, and suddenly there are flowers blooming, school events, family plans, and holidays all arriving together. Between Cinco de Mayo, Mother's Day, and Memorial Day, there is a little bit of everything woven into the month, which somehow feels fitting for library life too, where no two days ever seem quite the same.



This
Memorial Day,

we remember those who gave their
lives in service to our country
and extend a special thank you to
all who have served.

SAVE THE DATE

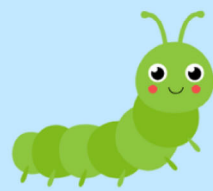
June 27, 2026
Book, Bake, and
Craft Sale

Children's Corner: May



MAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

STOP IN FOR OUR MONTHLY
SCAVENGER HUNT




CREATIVE CREW

MAY 5TH

GET CRAFTY WITH
SHAPE PAPER
PUNCHES

DROP-IN 2:00PM -
6:00PM



SENSORY SAFARI

MAY 26TH

DROP-IN 2:00PM - 6:00PM
AGE 3+



JOIN US FOR HANDS-ON PLAY AND
LEARNING EXPERIENCE. CHILDREN CAN
SNAP, CONNECT, AND LACE COLORFUL
BEADS TO CREATE THEIR OWN DESIGNS
WHILE BUILDING IMPORTANT SKILLS.



CREATIVE CREW

MAY 19TH

DROP-IN
2:00PM - 6:00PM



**DECORATE A
SPRING
WOODEN
ORNAMENT**

SENSESATIONAL STORYTIME

MAY 6TH, 13TH,
20TH, 27TH.

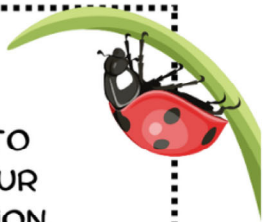
ALL AGES
WEDNESDAY
@ 10:30



JUNE 3RD - @ 10:30

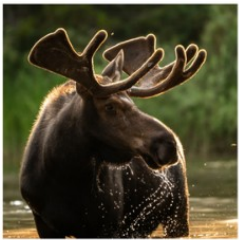
OUTDOOR BUBBLE BASH TO
CELEBRATE THE END OF OUR
REGULAR STORYTIME SESSION.

WEATHER PERMITTING



May Programs

Moose in Connecticut



Thursday, May 7, 2026
6pm

Presented by Ginny Apple

Have you ever wondered about Connecticut's largest wild mammal? Join **Ginny Apple**, a Master Wildlife Conservationist with Connecticut DEEP, for an engaging look at the history of moose in Connecticut. Learn about their habitat, behavior, and life cycle through photos, artifacts, and discussion. Although sightings are uncommon, Connecticut is home to an estimated 100 moose.



The Ukeladies



Saturday, May 16, 2026
12 Noon

**A Musical Afternoon with
The Ukeladies!**

**The Ukeladies bring favorite hits
from the 60s and 70s to the library
for a fun musical program. Singing
along is encouraged!**

HAPPY
Mother's Day

***Look for a special Take and Make for
Mother's Day!**

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PALETTE OF Talent

where local artists bring color to the library



Sophie Perkins



Meet the Artist
May 21, 2026
5:00 - 7:00pm

Sophie Perkins is a senior at Waterford High School and has been creating artwork since she was four years old. She is currently an AP Art student, building a portfolio for college. Several of the pieces featured in this exhibit were also submitted to the Woodstock Fair Fine Arts Exhibition, where they received first- and second-place ribbons. Art has long been an important part of Sophie's life, serving as both an outlet for stress and a way to express emotions that can be difficult to put into words.

*Her work will be on display at
Raymond Library
throughout the month of May.*

Scenes from Raymond Library



Artist Hanna Harrison had a wonderful reception for her photography exhibit!



Seed Library is back!
Thanks to our Girl Scout Troop 63042!



Our Blackout Poetry submissions.

**HELP
NEEDED**


POSTCARD


Dear Friends,

Help Us Celebrate the 250th Birthday of our country!
We are collecting postcards from across the United States to celebrate the USA's 250th birthday.

Our goal is to receive at least one postcard from a library in every state! Please include one fun fact about you, your library, or your community.


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Message from the Director

I just wanted to thank everyone who has taken the time to join us for programs lately, and especially those who stopped at our poetry station during National Poetry Month. It was really nice to see people sit down, slow down for a few minutes, and try something creative, whether it was blackout poetry or writing a few lines of their own. Sometimes those small moments are exactly what we need.

Thank you for being here, for showing up, and for being part of what makes this library feel like a community! With Gratitude, Michelle Westkamper

