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The newsletter of Webster Groves Public Library
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KIDS' EVENTS

Story Time with Miss Margaret

Tuesdays in August at 10:30 a.m. Ages 2 and up.

Dogs for our Brave – Read to Therapy Dogs

Wednesday August. 2, 9, 16, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Read to a therapy dog in training. Ages 5 and up.

Toddler Puzzles and Blocks

Friday, August 4, 10 – 11 a.m.

Join us for fun with puzzles, blocks and other manipulative! Ages 2 and up.

Beat the Heat Movie—*Super Mario Bros* (PG)

Saturday, August 5, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Recommended for all ages.

Infant Story Time with Miss Margaret

Thursday, August 10, 10 – 10:30 a.m.
Recommended for infants to age 2.

Bilingual Story Time

Thursday, August 17, 10 – 10:30 a.m.

Bilingual Story Times will feature stories in English with Spanish words introduced and a craft or activity. All ages welcome!

Legos at the Library

Saturday, August 19, 1:30 – 3:30 p.m.

Join us for some LEGO free play and unstructured creativity! All ages welcome.

STEAM Ahead Saturday

Saturday, August 26, 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Recommended for ages 5 – 12.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday – Thursday	9 a.m. – 9 p.m.
Friday & Saturday	9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Sunday	2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

The Library will be closed Sunday, September 3, and Monday, September 4, for Labor Day

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

The last two months have flown by. I can't believe that August is already here, that the Summer Reading Program is coming to an end, and that folks are gearing up to go back to school!

I wanted to thank everyone who made the Webster Groves Public Library a part of their summer this year. From participating in summer reading, to attending programs, to checking out books, we were so happy to be able to see each and every one of you and are so glad to be a part of this wonderful community.

While summer might be winding down, things at the Library are not. We have all kinds of things to help support back

to school: materials to help teachers supplement their classrooms, Learning Express Library which provides practice tests for many standard college and professional exams, tables and computers for studying and tutoring and much more.

Plus, I can't forget to mention all of our upcoming fall programs. We have everything from Story Times, Book Discussions, Paint Nights, Legos at the Library and more. The fun never stops at the Library!

Cheers,
Madison

BABALOO AT THE LIBRARY



Join us Saturday, August 12, at 1:30 p.m. as we finish off the Summer Reading Program with Babaloo. Babaloo is high energy, over-the-top fun with singing and stomping, dancing and shouting, music, magic, and mayhem! Suggested for ages 5 and up.

TOWARD WOMEN'S EQUALITY

On Friday, August 25, at 7 p.m., in honor of Women's Equality Day, Voices of American Herstory will present *From Rotten Eggs to Respect*, three stories on the road to women winning the vote and the woman who tried to stop it. Susan B. Anthony, Ida B. Wells, and Josephine Pearson will be portrayed by reenactors in costume. This event is free and open to the public. Ages 16 and up.



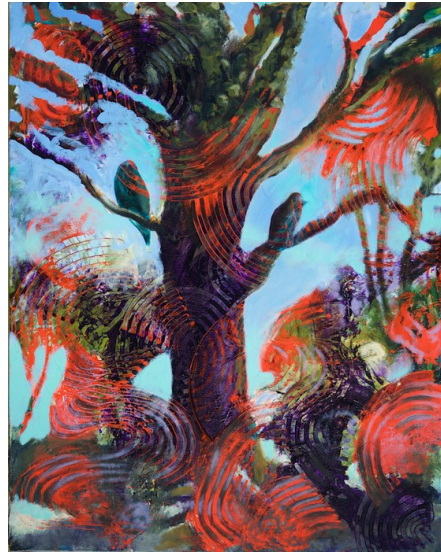
TOP REQUESTS

1. *Hello Beautiful*
by Ann Napolitano
2. *The Covenant of Water*,
by Abraham Verghese
3. *Happy Place*,
by Emily Henry
4. *Good Night, Irene*,
by Luis Alberto Urrea
5. *Zero Days*,
by Ruth Ware
6. *Bad Summer People*,
by Emma Rosenblum
7. *Remarkably Bright Creatures*,
by Shelby Van Pelt
8. *Lady Tan's Circle of Women*
by Lisa See
9. *The Five-Star Weekend*,
by Elin Hilderbrand
10. *The Celebrants*,
by Steven Rowley
11. *All the Sinners Bled*
by S. A. Cosby
12. *Romantic Comedy*,
by Curtis Sittenfeld

AUGUST ART

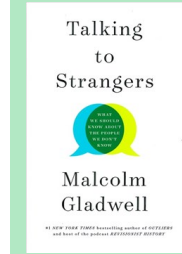
During the month of August you will find works created by artist Russell Vanecek in the Library's Art Gallery. Mr. Vanecek got an MFA from Pennsylvania State University and was an art teacher for 35 years. He primarily works in oil paint applied in layers on both canvas and wood panels. He gets much of his inspiration from native birds.

The reception will be held on August 4 from 6 p.m. to 8p.m.



BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Saturday, September 2, at 2 p.m.
Ages 18 and up.



Talking to Strangers,
by Malcolm Gladwell

The Tuesday Evening Book Discussion will return at the end of September.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Board Game Nite

Thursday, August 3, 6 – 8:30 p.m. Come play games at the Library! Snacks provided. Feel free to bring your own games. Ages 18 and up.

Paint and Sip

Sunday, August 13, 2:30 – 5 p.m.
All supplies are provided. Doors open at 2 p.m., program starts at 2:30. Light refreshments and mocktails will be served. Recommended for ages 18 and up.

UPDATING JUVENILE LIBRARY CARDS

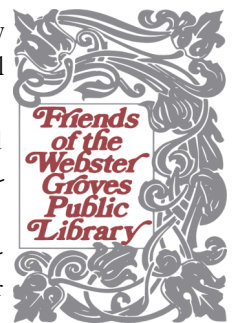
In order to comply with [Missouri Regulation 15 CSR 30-200.015](#) and receive state funding for the Library, the Library will be asking all parents and guardians to update their children's library cards. To update these accounts, parents and guardians will need to come into the Library and sign off on a new form acknowledging that they are responsible for the materials their children check out on juvenile cards. This form will also be required for any new juvenile library cards. As of July 31, any card that has not yet been updated has expired. Expired cards will need to be updated before the card can be used again.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

This year's Book Sale will be held at the Library from September 29 to October 1. It's early, so start planning for holiday gifts that you'll find among the books, DVDs and music CDs that are donated! Thanks for all the donations—we are still accepting them, but please, no encyclopedias, old textbooks or VHS tapes!

Volunteers wanted: September 28 and 29 to set up for the Book Sale, September 30 and October 1 to staff the sale, and October 1 and 2 for take down. You can contact Laura Wehrenberg at 314.962.9677 or lwehrenberg1@gmail.com to volunteer.

Shout-out to Sue Gold, who has kept the planters in front of the Library filled and blooming during this challenging summer! All are invited to attend Board meetings—our next meeting is September 12 at 7:00 p.m. We are always looking for new board members!



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