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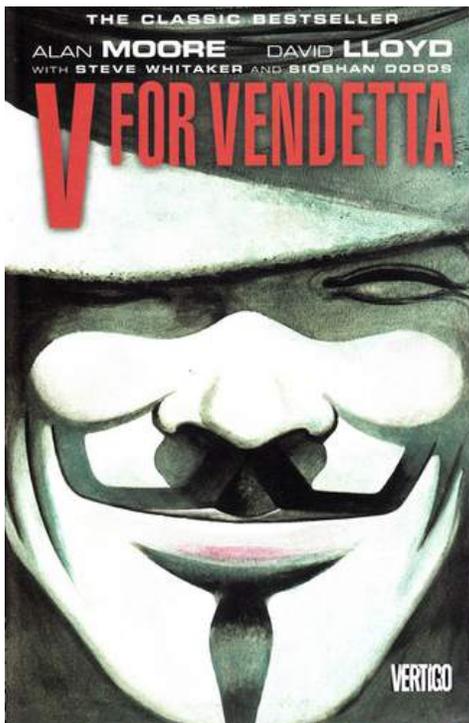
Greetings!

It's almost Spring and we've (knock on wood) endured the last of this winter's storms. If you were thinking about borrowing some of our new snowshoe kits from our Library of Things, you might want to get them before the snow melts! There's lots of great things happening at the Library this March such as our monthly book clubs and events for children, teens, AND adults. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Ipswich Public Library Staff

Spotlight



IPL's New Book Clubs Are a Hit!

Booker Bookies and the Adult Graphic Novel Book Club debuted in February, both attracting Ipswich's voracious readers to the Library for in-person discussions about captivating and award-winning literary fiction and graphic novels.

Both book clubs still have open spots available, with registration encouraged. Visit IpswichLibrary.org/Events to see when our book clubs are happening and what they're reading next!

Alan Moore's **V for Vendetta** is the title for March's Adult Graphic Novel Book Club on 3/14. Pick up one of the copies reserved for the book club at the Main Desk!



IPL Children's Grant-Sponsored Programs Will be Combining Movement, Dance, and Learning in the Library this March



The Children's programs **Movement for the Little Ones** and **Movement Mapping** are being brought to the Library thanks to a grant sponsored by the Ipswich Cultural Council, which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council. These programs will be under the direction of Jenny Carlson, owner and director of High Street Studios in Ipswich.

Movement for the Little Ones is for caregivers with children ages 2 to 5. This creative movement program will explore concepts of space, time, and energy while developing self-awareness, flexibility, and coordination.

Movement Mapping is for students in grades 1 to 5 and combines a STEM activity with the art of dance. Symbols designate different dance moves and students draw and design their own choreography map! The participants will perform the dance that they drafted on paper and then the dancers will perform each other's movement maps. Math, science, and dance all in the same program!

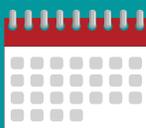
Both programs are happening on March 11th, 18th, and 25th. Children and caregivers can attend any number of sessions as available. Go to IpswichLibrary.org/Events to register and get more information.

IPL's Library of Things Continues to Expand



The **Nintendo Switch** and **Metal Detector Kits**, the newest items added to IPL's Library of Things collection, are ready to be checked out or put on hold now! The Library of Things continues to grow and offers our community an opportunity to try items out before deciding to purchase them as well as the ability to choose a more sustainable option by sharing tools and resources.

You can learn more about what's in our Library of Things collection at IpswichLibrary.org! Keep an eye out for upcoming additions to the collection such as our two **induction cook tops** that will be available soon.



Upcoming Events



Peace of Art

Monday, March 14 | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Zoom (Register for the Link)

This virtual workshop for adults hosted by the Artful Life Counseling Center & Studio will guide you to quiet the mind and become aware of your inner world and the present moment while you make a "peace of art". Art supplies are provided by the Library for free and will be available to pick up a week prior to the program. Registration required.



Eating Oreos & Opinions - A Teen Contest

Thursday, March 17 | 3:30pm-4:15pm

Teen Room

Did you know that National Oreo Cookie Day is on March 6th? To celebrate both the delicious cookie AND the "Oreo" method of creating persuasive arguments, we are going to eat, offer opinions, and judge the best flavor of Oreos in front of us. Best argument wins a prize! Registration required.



Teen Paint Night: Winter Watercolors (With Salt!)

Tuesday, March 22 | 4:00pm-4:45pm

Teen Room

Take a moment this month and join Teen Librarian Katy to try your hand at watercolor painting. It's time to catch our breaths and slow down. After watching a brief watercolor video all together, you will use the provided materials to conjure up your own winter scenes on paper and check out what others are doing at the same time. Registration required.



Teen Candy BINGO: "Going Green"

Wednesday, March 23 | 4:00pm-5:00pm

Collins Meeting Room

Grab a board and your candy markers and get ready to BINGO! If you've never played BINGO, now is the time to learn, with treats and prizes in the mix. The winner each session will have their name entered into a very stylish hat for the chance to win a prize. Registration required.



Recurring Events



Children's Programming

Check out the Events calendar at IpswichLibrary.org or subscribe to the IPL Children's newsletter to see when Mother Goose on the Loose, Radical Readers, Music for the Little Ones with Eric Clemenzi, book clubs, and much more are happening throughout the month!

IPL Book Clubs

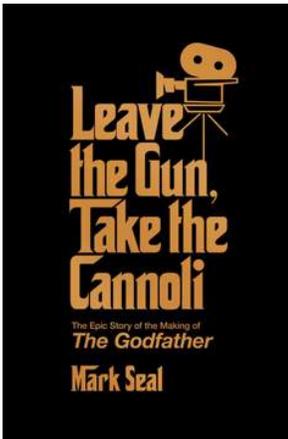
IPL offers staff-hosted book clubs every month for readers who want to discuss their thoughts on selected titles with others in our Library community.

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Staff Picks

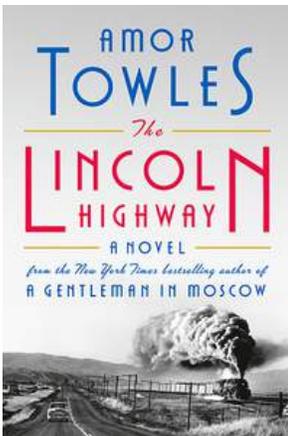


Leave the Gun, Take the Cannoli

by Mark Seal (Non-fiction)

Recommended by Nancy

The story of how *The Godfather* was made is as dramatic, operatic, and entertaining as the film itself. Over the years, many versions of various aspects of the movie's fiery creation have been told—sometimes conflicting, but always compelling. Mark Seal sifts through the evidence, has extensive new conversations with director Francis Ford Coppola and several heretofore silent sources, and complements them with colorful interviews with key players including actors Al Pacino, James Caan, Talia Shire, and others to write “the definitive look at the making of an American classic”.



The Lincoln Highway

by Amor Towles (Non-fiction)

Recommended by Laurie

In June, 1954, eighteen-year-old Emmett Watson is driven home to Nebraska by the warden of the work farm where he has just served a year for involuntary manslaughter. His mother long gone, his father recently deceased, and the family farm foreclosed upon by the bank, Emmett's intention is to pick up his eight-year-old brother and head west where they can start their lives anew. But when the warden drives away, Emmett discovers that two friends from the work farm have hidden themselves in the trunk of the warden's car. Together, they have hatched an altogether different plan for Emmett's future.

Spanning just ten days and told from multiple points of view, Towles's third novel will satisfy fans of his multi-layered literary styling while providing them an array of new and richly imagined settings, characters, and themes.



Kena: Bridge of Spirits

Library of Things (PS4 & PS5 Video Game)

Recommended by Stephen

Kena: Bridge of Spirits is a 2021 action-adventure video game developed and published by Ember Lab. The story follows Kena, a young spirit guide who uses her magical abilities to help deceased people move from the physical to the spirit world. The game is presented through a third-person perspective. The player uses Kena's staff for attacking enemies, and her pulse ability for defending against attacks. They are tasked with collecting small spirit companions known as the Rot, who help to complete tasks and battle against enemies.