

Spring is Here !!



Manchester Library Friends' Newsletter

Easter Issue: March 31, 2024

FOML Current Events Calendar

Sunday, March 31st, **EASTER**

Saturday, April 20th, **MANCHESTER EARTH DAY**
12PM-3PM Stormwater Park (See next page)

Monday, April 22nd, **EARTH DAY**

Saturday, April 27th, **HUGE BOOK & PLANT SALE**

Wednesday, April 24th, 7 pm FOML Board Meeting

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Monday, May 27th, Memorial Day (**library closed**)



Huge Book and Plant Sale

Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.



Purchase plants off the Friends of the Library trailer and stock up on books at the annual

Friends of Manchester Library Book and Plant Sale

8067 E Main St., Manchester

Children's Programs

Spring

Baby Band (Tuesdays, April 16 to June 11, at 9:30 a.m. -OR- 1:30 p.m.)

Babies and caregivers enjoy musical experiences that nurture preliteracy skills as well as physical, social, and emotional development. This program is geared to babies to age 3.

Crafternoon (Select Thursdays at 4 p.m.) This program is geared to age 6-12, siblings welcome. Space and materials are limited. First come, first serve.

April 11: Cactus Creation

May 9: String Art Vase

Preschool Storytime (Thursday, April 18 to June 13 at 10:15 a.m.)

Stories, rhymes, songs & full body movement designed to build early literacy skills and develop socio-emotional awareness. This program is geared to age 3 to 5, siblings welcome.

STEM Club (Select Thursdays at 4 p.m.) This program is geared to age 6-12, siblings welcome. Space and materials are limited. First come, first serve.

April 18: Tinker Time

May 16: Mini-Golf Course Hole

StoryWalk @ qa'qad Stormwater Park (March 30 to April 26)

Stroll through the pages of "To Change A Planet" by Christina Soontornvat, illustrated by Rahele Jomepour Bell, in the Manchester community's qa'qad Stormwater Park. This program is offered in partnership with Kitsap County Public Works Stormwater Division and with the support of Friends of Manchester Library.

Check manchesterwa.org for more Manchester happenings



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Adult Programs

Spring - Summer

Maintenance Manager

The Friends of the Manchester library are looking for a volunteer to be our Building Maintenance Manager. This person needs a fundamental knowledge and the skills of a sort of handy homeowner (we will provide training!). The job consists of doing a monthly inspection of key systems and operating controls (lighting, sinks, toilets, fire extinguishers, smoke alarms, etc.). The duties require about two hours of effort each month along with making a written or oral report to the FOML Board each month. The volunteer will do the tasks that they choose to do and manage the completion of more complex tasks by hired technicians. If you are interested in helping us and would like to know more please contact John Winslow (FOML Secretary) at johnwinslo@aol.com or 206-595-9351.

2024 Plant Sale

Now that spring is more or less here, the plant sale has expanded, with many more kinds of plants available in the parking lot, every day. Pay in the blue box by the library front door, cash or checks welcome. The largest display of plants will be on Saturday, April 27, from 9am to 3pm.

We welcome your donation of plants, divisions, and starts; leave them along the north side of the library (labeled if you can), and text (360) 621-3815 that they've arrived!

Thanks for supporting the library with your purchase and/or donation of plants!!

Drawing and Painting Class with Dr. Paul Nuchims

Every Wednesday April 10- May 15

3-4:15 pm

All skills levels are welcome in this pencil, charcoal, and watercolor class taught by Dr. Paul Nuchims.

Ages 15 and up. Drop-ins are welcome, each class is limited to the first 15 participants.

Self-defense Workshop

Saturday, April 13

11 am- 12:30 pm

Learn and practice self-defense skills and techniques with Gene Eckhart, a 9th degree Kenpo black belt with over 30 years experience teaching martial arts. Topics covered will include situational awareness, de-escalation techniques, reasons to keep potential threats at a distance, and how to protect yourself when physical defense is necessary. Registration required. Ages 18+

Book Worms Book Club, 3rd Mondays, 6 pm-7ish

April 15: *L.A. Weather* by Maria Amparado Escandon

May 20: *Caste* by Isabel Wilkerson

June 17: *The Red House Mystery* by A.A. Milne



MANCHESTER
EARTH DAY
April 20 **qa'qad Stormwater Park**
12 pm - 3 pm
FREE activities
for the entire family

Learn from Experts About:

- Water Conservation
- Solar Energy
- Rain Gardens
- Septic System Health
- Natural Lawn Maintenance
- Craft Supply Exchange
- ... and much more!

Kids Activities

- Painting Pots
- Face Painting
- Butterfly Craft

Succulent Potting Bar

Library
MCA Manchester Community Association

Manchester Seed Library

Available at the Manchester Library from mid-February to July while supplies last.

Browse our seeds, take up to 20 packets, and get planting!
All seeds include basic growing instructions.

Share photos of seeds you have grown to
SeedLibrary@KRL.org

