

Manchester Library Friends' Newsletter

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FOML Current Events Calendar





9:00 am- 3:00 pm 8067 E. Main St, Manchester We have lots of books! Proceeds benefit the Library.



Youth & Teen Programs: Nov - Dec Baby Band (Tuesday, Nov. 5, 12 & Dec. 12, at 9:30 a.m.,

# and again Nov 5 & Dec 12 at 1:30 pm.

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.

Dec. 12, 9 am & 1:30 pm – "Holiday Vibes"

Playdough Playdate (Friday, Nov 8 & Dec. 6, at 10 a.m.) Preschool-age children are invited to practice early learning skills through play at one or more playdough stations. Come and go. Space and materials are limited. First come, first serve.

Preschool Storytime (Thursday, Nov 7 to 21 & Dec 12 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. Dec 12 → "Happy Holidaze"

Toddler Tunes 'n Tales (Friday, Nov 22 to Dec 13, at 10:15 a.m.) Toddlers will sing, dance and play to music and join in a story. Early literacy practices and opportunities for physical, social and emotional development are incorporated into the design of the program.

**STEM Club: Candy Cane Trials (Wednesday, Dec 4, at 4 p.m.)** Age 6-12 are invited to participate in a series of STEM challenges relating to candy canes! Space and materials are limited. First come, first serve. Younger siblings welcome with an adult to assist.

Crafternoon: Pinecone Gnome (Wednesday, Dec 11, at 4 p.m.) Age 6 to 12 are invited to create a seasonal craft—gnomes with pinecones (and other crafty materials). Space and materials are limited. First come, first serve. Younger siblings welcome with an adult to assist.

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## **Youth & Teen Programs: (continued)**

'The Polar Express' Matinee (Friday, Dec 20, at 2-4:15 p.m.) Join us for a classic holiday movie (based on the classic Christmas story by Chris Van Allsburg), "The Polar Express." Create a bell ornament or necklace, make a hot chocolate at the cocoa bar with all your favorite toppings, and...

Registration opens December 2 at 10:00 am

### **Adult Programs**

November - December

## Holiday Craft and a Movie

Thursday, Dec. 12, 2-4 pm

Join us for book page crafting, a holiday movie, and cocoa! All supplies provided, registration preferred.

Registration opens November 12 at 10:00am

# RECOMMENDED READING From your Friends

A History of the World in Twelve Shipwrecks by David Gibbins (2024) This is much more than a book about diving shipwrecks because it sets each in its own historical context, and then ties it in with the history of the world before and after. Because it was written in the last few years, it ties together the best of science — for example, the analysis of the bronze ingots in a 5th century BC boat off Turkey indicates the tin came from Cornwall, England!! The book opens with a 2nd millennium BC boat in Devon, likely used to transport tin to Europe, and ends with a freighter torpedoed off Cornwall in WW II – exploring shipwrecks around the Atlantic, Mediterranean, and Indonesia.

The Informer by Liam O'Flaherty (1925)

A tale of temptation, betrayal, and reprisal, this powerful novel is set in the aftermath of the Irish Civil War. It tells of Gypo Nolan, who informs on a wanted comrade. The source of the Academy Award-winning film directed by John Ford.



Book Worms Book Club, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays, 6 pm-7ish

November 18 – The Hunger by Alma Katsu

### **Plants in Winter Quarters**

This year's plant sale has ended, and we're so grateful to everyone who participated, whether by donating plants, by choosing to buy plants from our ever-evolving displays, or by volunteering to help with the work of keeping the sale going for so many months.

We're starting to plan for next year's sale, and if you are interested in helping as a volunteer, contact Carol Campbell at campbellcarol@wavecable.com.

You don't need to be a gardener to help!

Check <u>manchesterwa.org</u> for more Manchester happenings



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