



York Library Upcoming Events

August 22, 2017

Summer Film Series

“Patriot’s Day” will be shown at 7 p.m. Sunday, August 27. An account of the Boston Marathon bombing, this film is the powerful story of a community’s courage in the face of terror. In the aftermath of an unspeakable attack, Police Sergeant Tommy Saunders (Mark Wahlberg) joins courageous survivors, first responders and investigators in a race against the clock to hunt down the bombers before they strike again. Weaving together the stories of Special Agent Richard DesLauriers (Kevin Bacon), Police Commissioner Ed Davis (John Goodman), Sergeant Jeffrey Pugliese (J.K. Simmons) and nurse Carol Saunders (Michelle Monaghan) this visceral and unflinching chronicle captures the suspense of one of the most sophisticated manhunts in law enforcement history and celebrates the strength of the people of Boston. Rated R for violence, realistically graphic injury images, language throughout and some drug use. 133 minutes.

Ice Cream Social

The York Public Library Board of Trustees invites the public to an ice cream social from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 29. This date marks the one-year anniversary of our Library Director, Michelle Sampson. Come say hello to Michelle, her staff, volunteers and the trustees as we begin a new year under Michelle’s leadership. Help us celebrate this occasion and the end of summer by making your own ice cream sundae (from the Village Scoop) and enjoying other refreshments. This event is free and open to all - children and adults. We look forward to seeing you there.

Exhibit tour

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William Wieting will lead one more tour - at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 29 - of the art exhibit currently on view at the library. This show, "Eclectic Contemporary Art of New England: Fifty-something Years of Collecting" is an exhibit of works from the collection of York residents Bill and Amey Wieting.

Book Talk

On Tuesday, Sept 5 at 10:30 a.m., Michael Behnke will discuss "The Evangelicals: The Struggle to Shape America," by Pulitzer Prize winner, Frances FitzGerald. Michael Behnke, a York resident, is the former Dean of Admission at Tufts and M.I.T. and Vice President of the University of Chicago. A graduate from Amherst College with an honors degree in American Studies, he also has a master's degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Family Film

"Boss Baby" will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9. A suit-wearing, briefcase-carrying baby (voiced by Alec Baldwin) pairs up with his 7-year old brother to stop the dastardly plot of the CEO of Puppy Co. Rated PG for some mild rude humor. 97 minutes.

Wealth Management Seminar

Eric Lusk, financial advisor with Dow Wealth Management of Falmouth, will present a seminar on wealth management at 7 p.m. Tuesday, September 12. He will discuss historical events and what they teach us. Lusk will also describe modern portfolio theory and the notion that high quality securities are primarily the best and only option when it comes to building a reliable portfolio. The event will touch on ETFs and other investment products briefly but will focus on classifying individual securities and how they should be chosen for a specific portfolio. Eric Lusk has worked in the financial industry for over twenty years. He graduated from Georgetown University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics with a concentration in Latin American Economic Development. His civic activities include the last ten years as a Rotarian, a member of the Cape Elizabeth Water Extrication Team, and the Yarmouth Economic Development Advisory Committee. Eric and his wife Holly live with their two children in Harpswell, Maine.

Glovinski exhibition

Secret Garden is an exhibition by Carly Glovinski within the stacks of the York Public Library and an artist reception for her is scheduled for 5 p.m. Wednesday, September 13.

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For this project, a number of books whose subject matter largely involve the landscape- both literally – (horticulture, gardening, and travel books) and more subjectively (descriptive landscape text found in poetry and fiction) have been recreated as painted objects of the same size. These “painted books” are then placed back in the library shelves, in place of the originals. The exhibition, Secret Garden, asks us to see the library itself as a kind of landscape, with these painted book objects planted as seeds to be discovered. The exhibit will run from September 5 through early November.

In order to access the exhibition, viewers must mimic the process of searching/looking up a library book using special card catalog boxes that have been created specifically for this exhibition. In this way, it is the viewers that really activate the exhibition, as it becomes participatory- requiring this ‘lookup and seek’ action. This exhibition aims to create both trompe l’oeil objects to be taken out of the shelves and held, and a trompe l’oeil experience as well, engaging the viewer in the activity of looking up and finding these books.

FOR CHILDREN

Infant Lapsits (infants to two years old), Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. Come for a program of stories, songs, fingerplays and rhymes.

Preschool Story Hours, Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Join us for stories, songs, fingerplays, and crafts. This story hour is designed for ages three to five.

ART EXHIBITS

On the Main Level — “Eclectic Contemporary Art of New England: Fifty-something Years of Collecting”

An exhibit of works from the collection of York residents Bill and Amey Wieting. According to the Wietings, eclecticism implies choosing the best or most effective works, even though they may seem disparate or unusual. It is a kind of open-minded selectivity, based on each picture’s conveying the vision and experience of the artist. The York Public Library is grateful to the Wietings for sharing their collection with the community. We invite you to enjoy these works throughout the months of July and August during regular library hours. Join us at 5 p.m. Tuesday, July 18, when the Wietings will talk about their exhibit and about collecting art. Dr. Wieting will also lead a number of tours of the exhibit, beginning with one at 11 a.m. Wednesday July 19.

In the Kennebunk Room — “Landscapes and Still Life”

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The works of two local artists, Maryse Newton of York, and Cynthia Knowles of South Berwick, will be on display during July in the Kennebunk Room. Maryse has been painting for over 20 years and recently has been focusing on still life at YAA's gallery in York Harbor. She is dabbling between acrylic and oil, and her work has been evolving over the past several months. Cynthia, a watercolorist, features several local landscapes in the exhibit. She tries to tell a story with her paintings and get the viewer involved. Cynthia is also a professional calligrapher and pen and ink artist.

Both artists have pieces hanging in private collections across the United States. Maryse and Cynthia are members of the York Art Association and enjoy participating in the Open Studio sessions at YAA on Tuesdays.

In the display cases upstairs:

Stories in Miniature: Seacoast resident Cheryl Frye's collection of dioramas of nursery rhymes. Cheryl develops these delightful scenes with her grandchildren. Her work has been exhibited in a number of Seacoast Libraries, including Rye and Portsmouth.

Museums of Old York display case on the lower level: The musical instruments displayed in this exhibit were all made or used here in York.