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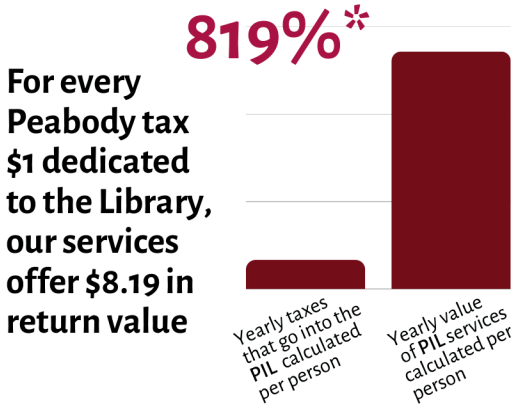
MORE THAN EVER BEFORE

Our services are being used more than they were pre-Covid. We have thousands of new cardholders and millions exploring our website. We're here to support your growing need for us.



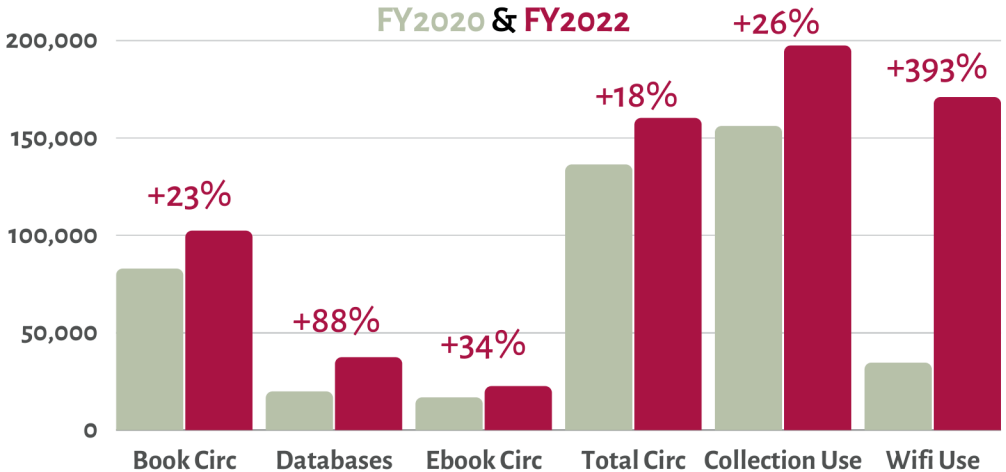
*Since March 2020

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI) = OUR VALUE TO OUR COMMUNITY



*What's Your Library Worth? <https://ilovelibraries.org/what-libraries-do/calculator/> (Accessed October 13, 2022)

Library Circulation & Use



Data Source: Yearly ARIS statistics sent to the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners

SEPTEMBER HOURS & HOLIDAYS

MAIN LIBRARY

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 9pm

Friday: 9am - 1pm

Saturday: 9am - 5pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

SOUTH & WEST BRANCH LIBRARIES

Monday & Wednesday: 9am - 5pm

Tuesday: 9am - 9pm

Thursday: 1pm - 9pm

Saturday: 9am - 1pm

All three libraries will be closed from Saturday, September 2 through Monday, September 4 in honor of the Labor Day Holiday. We will reopen at 9 AM on Tuesday, September 5.

THE PIL IS FINE-FREE!



Peabody Institute Library is now a **Fine- Free Library!** We have officially eliminated all overdue fines on Peabody-owned items- for everyone, forever!

CRAFT & CHAT

BRING YOUR OWN
PORTABLE CRAFTS

TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 5

TECH LAB
6:30-8:30 PM

Yoga

Beginner friendly Yoga for adults
with instructor Jill Manos.



Tuesdays
September 12 & 26
11:30 AM
2nd floor Tech Lab

Guided Meditation

Join Jesselynn Barber for a
monthly chance to slow down,
get grounded, and relax at the
library.



Third Tuesday of the month
September 19, 6:30 PM
Please register

Make a Lavender-Filled Felt Mini House

Join librarian Gabi to make a
cute and cozy mini felt house!
All supplies are provided.

Monday, September 11
6:30 PM, Tech Lab





MAKE A FELTED FOX WITH POP-UP ART SCHOOL



Learn the basics of needle felting and craft a charming fox with Pop-Up Art School!

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 28
6:30 PM, TECH LAB**



PEABODY INSTITUTE LIBRARY
PRESENTS:

AN EVENING WITH BIGFOOT RESEARCHER
RONNY LEBLANC

Join Travel Channel star and local author Ronny LeBlanc for a presentation and slideshow titled "Bigfoot in Massachusetts." Raised in Leominster, Ronny has done extensive research on Bigfoot and other paranormal phenomena in Massachusetts and has also written books on the topic. After the presentation, Ronny will stick around to sell and sign books and meet you.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
6:30 PM, SUTTON ROOM**

ronnyleblanc.com

PEABODY INSTITUTE LIBRARY FALL CONCERT SERIES

More info at peabodylibrary.org/concerts

Karen Grenier

Monday, October 2 at 7 PM

Cine Minogue

Monday, October 16 at 7 PM
Monday, December 18 at 7 PM

Hungrytown

Monday, November 6 at 7 PM

Stephanie James

Monday, November 13 at 7 PM

Dance Caliente

Monday, November 20 at 7 PM

Boston Typewriter Orchestra

Monday, December 11 at 7 PM



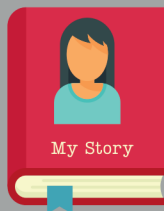
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THE MCCARTHY FAMILY FOUNDATION

New PIL Book Group: Biographies & Bagels Book Brunch

Join us on the last Saturday of each month for our newest PIL Book Group at the Main Library! We will read biographies and memoirs, and eat bagels while discussing interesting lives.

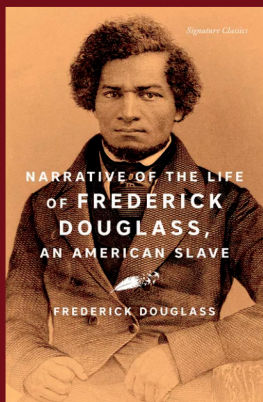
First Meeting: September 30, 10 AM*
Main Library Tech Lab

*No book required, we will vote on what to read next!



READING FREDERICK DOUGLASS TOGETHER: LECTURE SERIES with Theo Theoharis

Wednesdays at 11:00 AM, October 4 - 25



Sign ups open on September 5, books available soon at all three library locations.

Professor Theo Theoharis

is back for his popular literature discussion series. In preparation for our December "Reading Frederick Douglass Together" event, the class will read and discuss "Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass."

Presented by the Peabody Institute Library Foundation, Mass Humanities, and the Mass Cultural Council



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TACO

Tuesdays @ West
Thursdays @ Main
4 -5 PM



Earn community service hours by participating in our Teen Advisory and Community Organization, aka TACO! No registration needed. Teen volunteers will receive one free taco or other snack the first Tuesday or Thursday of each month.

For questions, please contact the Teen
Department at the Main Branch

OR

Amory at the West Branch at
athomas@noblenet.org

FALLING LEAVES MASON JARS



Make a falling leaf mason jar to use as a pen holder or tea light candle holder. All supplies will be provided.

Monday, September 18, 6:00 PM

Teen Room

Please register

STORYTIMES

at the Main Library

BABIES



Every Thursday @ 10:00
in the 2nd Floor Tech Lab

TODDLERS



Every Thursday @ 11:00
in the 2nd Floor Tech Lab

PRESCHOOL



Every Wednesday @ 10:30
in the 2nd Floor Tech Lab

YOGA



Tuesdays @ 10:00
in the 2nd Floor Tech Lab

Science and Snacks



Come join us as we learn more about the importance of conservation and make treats in the process. The snacks will consist of Oreos, gummy worms, and pudding. Supplies will be provided. Ages 4 and up. In the Creativity Lab

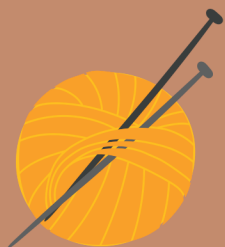


REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Sat., Sept. 9, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Beginners Knitting

Learn the basics of knitting with Aimee! Needles and yarn are provided, or bring your own. Open to ages 9+, including adults - this is an all-ages program!



**Sat. Sept. 16 & 30 ,
1:30 - 2:30 PM**

Drop In Crafts

Join Miss Patty to make a different craft each week. Registration not required.



**Every Thursday,
5:30 PM-7:00 PM in the
Children's library**

PIL BOOK GROUPS

Find the right one for you in the list below.

Books are available at the meeting location or at the
Main Library Public Service Desk.



Fiction Book Group

1st Thursday of every month, 2PM

Meets at West Branch Library

Meeting Sept. 7: "The Sweet Spot" by Amy Poepell

Meeting Oct. 5: "The Tuscan Child" by Rhys Bowen

NEW Cookbook Club

3rd Thursday of every month, 6PM

Meets at West Branch Library

Meeting September 21 - Theme: Quick and Easy!

*Kids are invited to this meeting,
and to help create dishes and join us!

Nonfiction Book Group

Last Thursday of the month, 6 PM

Meets at West Branch Library

Meeting September 28. "The Reporter Who Knew
Too Much" by Mark Shaw

Peabody Council on Aging Book Group

2nd Wednesday of every month, 10:30 AM

Meets at Torigian Center

Meeting September 20: The Lincoln Highway by
Amor Towles

NEW Biographies & Bagels Book Brunch

Last Saturday of every month, 10 AM

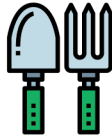
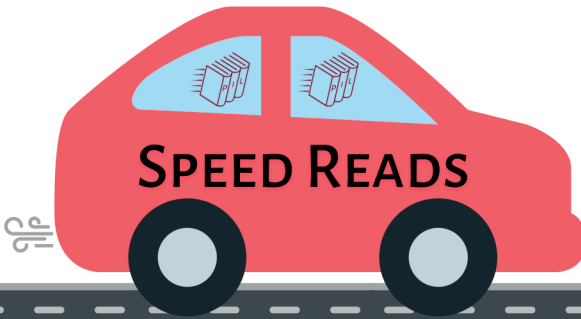
Meets at Main Library

Meeting September 30: Meet and greet, choose
books

Tired of waiting in line for new books?

Check out our **SPEED READS** collections,
at all three libraries.

NEW BOOKS
14 DAY LOAN PERIOD
NO RENEWALS OR HOLDS



LIBRARY OF THINGS

Find the list and reserve items at
peabodylibrary.org/libraryofthings

CFCE: Music and Movement



Open to all ages!

Come hear live guitar music and dance to songs and nursery rhymes!

Monday, Sept. 18

10 - 11 AM, Tech Lab

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Family LEGO Fun




Join us for a fun morning of LEGO fun! Larger DUPLO blocks are available for younger children as well.

Saturdays

Sept. 16 & 30

10 - 11 AM

Alpaca Therapy



Visit with two registered Therapy Alpacas from the Harvard Alpaca Farm! Pet the Therapy Alpacas, visit with them, and learn facts about alpacas from the experts.



Thursday Sept. 7, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Courtyard, Main Library

KNITTING LESSONS

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Lessons tailored to each individual's needs.
Needles and yarn provided for in-class use.
Registration required.

TUESDAY
SEPTEMBER 12

7PM - 8:30PM

(SECOND
TUESDAY OF EVERY
MONTH)



WATERCOLOR WORKSHOP WITH ARTIST BROOKE LAMBERT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
6-8PM

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

Registration required.

GETTING STARTED WITH GENEALOGY

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
7:00 - 8:30 PM



Learn how to get started with genealogy research with Jennifer L. Smith, PLCGS, a professional genealogist. Topics covered include organizing information, finding records and using genealogy databases, such as Ancestry.com.

Registration is required.

PET LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT

Led by Marla Andrews of
Humane Hearts, LLC

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
6:30PM

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY





SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY
**COMMUNITY
PUZZLE SHARE!**



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
9:30AM- 12PM

Give a puzzle and take a puzzle!
(Please seal all puzzle pieces in a plastic bag
and place in the original box if possible)

All ages welcome!



**AFTER SCHOOL
LEGOs!**

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

**WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 20**

3:30-4:30PM

FOR KIDS AGES 5-12

Registration is required.

TODDLER STORYTIME!

AT THE SOUTH BRANCH LIBRARY

 **TUESDAYS**
SEPTEMBER 5
SEPTEMBER 19 

FOR AGES 2 - 4 YEARS

Registration Required





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WEST BRANCH LIBRARY
COMMUNITY ROOM

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BOOK BINDING FOR TEENS!

Tuesday, September 26

5PM-6PM

West Branch Library
Community Room

Come make a book and learn about the art of book binding!

Registration required.

AN INTRODUCTION TO TAI CHI AND MINDFULNESS WITH SHARON PEI



SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 23,
10:30AM-12PM.

Follow local Tai Chi teacher, Sharon Pei, as she discusses and demonstrates the basic movements and body alignments that encompass the art of Tai Chi.

TACO

Tuesdays
at the
West Branch Library
4 - 5 PM



Earn community service hours by participating in our Teen Advisory and Community Organization, or T.A.C.O.! No registration needed, and volunteers receive a free meal the first Tuesday of every month!

For questions, please email Amory at the West Branch Library at athomas@noblenet.org

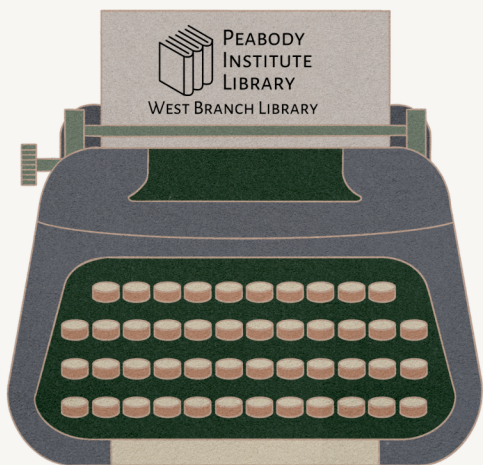
NERD NIGHT!

★ Thursday, September 14, 6-8PM

Join us at the West Branch Library to play video games, tabletop games, watch a classic fairy tale adventure film, and eat pizza! Registration is suggested, as space is limited. For ages 13+



WRITING WORKSHOP



Registration is recommended
as space is limited!

TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 19
6PM-7PM

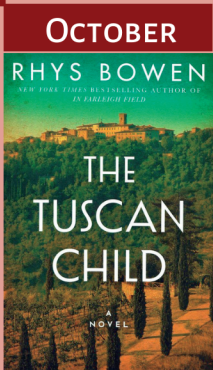
WEST BRANCH LIBRARY
COMMUNITY ROOM

Receive help and
guidance for
memoirs, poetry, scripts,
& plays!

WEST BRANCH LIBRARY BOOK CLUBS

FICTION BOOK CLUB

SEPTEMBER



Come discuss our Fiction monthly reads on the first Thursday of every month!



Thurs., Sept. 7 and Thurs., Oct. 5, 2PM in the Community Room

NEW!

COOKBOOK CLUB

Join us on the third Thursday of every month to share creations from a monthly selected cookbook or theme!

Participants must bring a prepared dish. Registration is required.

**Thursday, September 21
6PM in the Community Room
Theme: "Quick and Easy" Dishes**

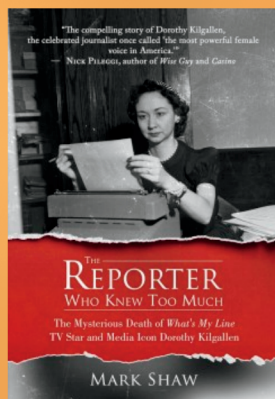


Children are encouraged to join this meeting!

NONFICTION BOOK CLUB

Want to learn more about worldly events? Join us on the last Thursday of every month to discuss our reads!

**Thursday, September 28
6PM in the Alcove reading area**





PEABODY INSTITUTE LIBRARY FOUNDATION

The Peabody Institute Library's history is firmly rooted in the legacy of giving. George Peabody's gift to the citizens of Peabody began with a \$20,000 commitment to the residents of the Town of South Danvers in 1852. The Main Library opened in 1854, and 168 years later, the gift continues to enrich the residents of Peabody in ways George Peabody may never have imagined.

Learn more about the PIL Foundation, including how to become involved, how to support your Library, and how the PIL Foundation contributes to the community as a 501(c)3 organization, at www.peabodylibrary.org/foundation by contacting Library Director Cate Merlin at merlin@noblenet.org or 978-531-0100 x16, or

Come see us at the

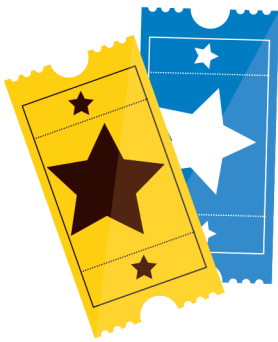


CITY OF PEABODY

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

on Sunday, September 10!

Stop by the PIL Foundation booth to purchase a Whoopie Pie and support your Library!



MUSEUM PASSES

The Library offers coupons for discounted or free admission to the following cultural, educational, and recreational institutions.

To reserve a pass, call the library or go to <https://www.peabodylibrary.org/museumpasses>

Boston Children's Museum

NEW! Davis Farmland

NEW! Harvard Museums of Science and Culture

House of the Seven Gables

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum

NEW! Lynn Museum and Historical Society

Mass Audubon

More Availability! Massachusetts State Parks

Museum of Fine Arts

Museum of Science

New England Aquarium

NEW! North Shore Children's Museum

Peabody Essex Museum

NEW! Plymouth Patuxet Museums

NEW! Trustees of the Reservations

Zoo New England



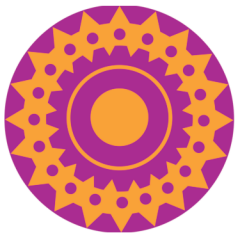
LOCAL HISTORY RESEARCH

See hundreds of photos, maps, and newspapers from Peabody's past online at

peabodylibrary.org/localhistory

or stop by the Main Reading Room to view newspapers, street listings, early town records, and maps on microfilm.

To see the historic Sutton Room, call or go online to make an appointment at least 2 days before your planned visit.



CREATIVITY
LAB *imagination
in action*



The Creativity Lab and Conversation Circles are taking a break for the summer- they'll be back in October. For more info, sign up for our weekly e-newsletter at bit.ly/PILnewsletter



TREASURES & TALES TOUR

Join the Local History Librarian on a guided tour of the treasures inside the oldest public library in the country to operate out of its original building!

Tuesday, September 19, 7:00 PM

Meet at the front entrance of the Main Library
No registration required.



EXPLORE PEABODY...a scavenger hunt!

Get out there during Trails & Sails 2023 and discover all the rich culture Peabody has to offer through a scavenger hunt for all ages!

Pick up and return your list at any PIL location.

**Friday, September 15 through
Monday, September 24**

Let Freedom Read

Join PIL and libraries
across the state for a
read-in to celebrate
the freedom to read.

#LetFreedomRead

Brought to you by the Joint Intellectual Freedom Task Force
(members from MLA, MLS, MBLC, MSLA)

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
LIBRARY COURTYARD

More details coming soon!