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ABBOT PUBLIC LIBRARY - JULY 2022 EVENTS

Friday, July 1 – Sunday, July 31

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LIBRARY HIGHLIGHTS

Abbot Public Library is now fine free! Visit <https://abbotlibrary.org/about-us/library-policies> to find out more about borrowing materials and getting a library card.

We are pleased to offer Book Club Kits, Chromebooks, and Hotspots in the new Library of Things. Visit <https://abbotlibrary.org/library-of-things> to learn more.

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VIRGINIA A. CARTEN GALLERY

Oceans and Possibilities

Directed by Michael Leykin

On View: Wednesday, July 13 - Friday, August 5

Public Reception: Wednesday, July 13, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

On Wednesday, July 13, Michael Leykin will present his first directed art show! He has gathered the work of Michael Marrinan of Welfleet, Chris Volpe of New Hampshire, Pete Hocking of Provincetown, and Todd Bonita of New Hampshire, as well as some local artists in a carefully curated collection of ocean-themed art. Please join us for a public opening reception on Wednesday, July 13 from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Abbot Public Library's Virginia A. Carten Gallery.

Michael Leykin comes from the North Shore and attended high school at St. John's Prep. He graduated with a degree in Entrepreneurship at Babson College and went on to start his own business. He has always had a passion for the arts and decided to test the waters of art shows with this being his first one.

About the Artists:

Michael Marrinan was born in London, England and has lived on Cape Cod since 1999. An established artist who works on linen, he began working with copper seven years ago. His "oils on copper" starts with the aging of the copper, with a process that involves both sulfur and organic tomatoes. Once this process is complete he continues with the use of oils to enhance the coppers' inherent patina, creating a one-of-a-kind piece.

Christopher Volpe is an artist, writer, and teacher whose paintings approach nature less as a visual motif than as a site of introspection and metaphor for intangible feelings and ideas. His work is shown nationally and held in the permanent collection of Smith College and the Whistler House Museum, as well as in numerous private collections.

Pete Hocking is a visual artist and writer based in Providence, RI & Provincetown, MA. His work is concerned with personal narrative, place, poetics, and political consciousness. He teaches at Goddard College in the Master of Fine Arts in Interdisciplinary Arts program and in the Division of Liberal Arts at Rhode Island School of Design.

Todd Bonita fell in love with the ocean while growing up in Winthrop, Massachusetts, a small New England harbor town outside of Boston. After graduating from the Art Institute of Boston, he continued post baccalaureate study of classical painting and drawing at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts in Philadelphia. A twelve-year career as an illustrator - which included a creatively-explorative period working as a muralist, sculptor and designer - followed. He focused full time on fine art oil painting in 2006, creating works for art galleries and collectors. He currently maintains a small studio space at The Button Factory artist studios in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

With an education in early childhood development as well as fine art, **Debra Freeman-Highberger** founded the Acorn Gallery School of Art in Marblehead based on the understanding that a child's involvement in the arts improves motivation, concentration, confidence, and teamwork. Debra Freeman-Highberger studied painting independently and worked as a portrait artist in Ulm, Germany. During her time in Europe, she traveled through France, Germany, and Switzerland, painting landscapes.

Michael Graves is a nationally-recognized, plein-air artist based in central Massachusetts. Over a 35-year career, Graves has received over 85 awards and medals, and has been featured in numerous books and publications, including *The New York Times*, *American Artist*, and *The Best of Oil Painting*. He was recently inducted into the Guild of Boston Artists, and is a long-time member of the Rockport, Hudson Valley, Old Lyme Art, and North Shore Art Associations and Allied Artists Professional League.

ADULT SUMMER READING 2022: OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Saturday, June 11 - Wednesday August 19, 2022

Main Desk, Abbot Public Library

Adults can challenge themselves this summer by completing one, two, or three reading bingo cards. For each completed reading bingo card, adults can enter their name to win the Adult Summer Reading Raffle Prize Basket. This is a great opportunity to try out a new genre, learn something new, and get crafty!

Visit our *Ocean of Possibilities* display near the Main Desk to pick up your first bingo card. After completing it, turn it in to a staff member to receive a raffle ticket and your next bingo sheet.

All Summer Reading Prize Raffle Baskets are sponsored by the Friends of Abbot Public Library.

ADULT PROGRAMS

One-on-One Tech Help

Dates and Times TBD

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

Register at abbotlibrary.org/assabet-interactive

Do you have a question about your computer, smartphone, or tech gadget? Do you want time to practice where someone can help if you get stuck? Join a staff member for one-on-one help with your device. For attendees who are unable to transport their device, there will be Windows laptops available. Please see available times and register for each session at abbotlibrary.org/assabet-interactive.

Marblehead Racial Justice Team Presents: Conversations on Race

What Does it Mean to be Anti-Racist?

Monday, July 18, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library and Online Via Zoom

To attend in person, please register in advance for this meeting here: <https://tinyurl.com/In-Person-July-2022-MRJT>

To attend via Zoom, please register in advance for this meeting here: <https://tinyurl.com/Zoom-July-2022-MRJT>

Our next Conversations on Race meeting features a short Stephen Colbert and Ibram X. Kendi video about anti-racism. If you have heard the term “anti-racism” and wonder what it means, here is your chance to find out from the man who created the term.

Dr. Ibram X. Kendi, historian and author of the books *How to be Antiracist* and *Antiracist Baby* talks with Stephen Colbert about his concept. They also discuss the advantages of a more equitable society for both white Americans as well as for persons of color. Following the 12-minute video, attendees online and at the Abbot Library will have the opportunity to speak and to listen to each other’s responses to the presentation.

These ongoing Marblehead Racial Justice Team conversations offer a safe and welcoming place in which we explore privilege, biases, and questions. This is a place for listening, conversation, and engagement. We hope we can continue to learn and grow together so that we can make a difference.

This program will be offered in person and online via Zoom. To attend in person, please register in advance for this meeting here: <https://tinyurl.com/In-Person-July-2022-MRJT>. To attend via Zoom, please register in advance for this meeting here: <https://tinyurl.com/Zoom-July-2022-MRJT>.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

This program is co-sponsored by Abbot Public Library and the Marblehead Racial Justice Team.

Adult Fiction Book Club

Tuesday, July 19, 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Online via Zoom

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/July-2022-Zoom-Book-Club>

On the third Tuesday of every month from 10:00 am - 11:00 am online via Zoom, book club members can come and discuss the latest and most highly recommended titles, led by a library staff member. Due to a limited number of books, registration is required for each month a member plans to attend. Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/July-2022-Zoom-Book-Club>. Once sign-up confirmation is received, patrons may visit the Reference Desk to get their copy of the upcoming month's book. July's pick is *When Two Feathers Fell from the Sky* by Margaret Verble.

Seaside Escapes: The Art and Architecture of the New England Coast

Presented by Jane Oneail

Wednesday, July 20, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Online via Zoom - Register at <https://tinyurl.com/Zoom-Seaside-Escapes>

From artist colonies to robber baron “summer cottages,” the New England shoreline has inspired countless creative works. This program will look at seascapes and shorelines by beloved American artists including Winslow Homer and Edward Hopper as well as the over-the-top elegance of Newport, RI summer homes designed for the titans of industry in the nineteenth century. Gloucester's eccentric summer retreat Beauport will also be featured in this program.

Jane Oneail is the founder of Culturally Curious, an arts education consulting firm specializing in art appreciation programs. She curates and delivers programs throughout New England and beyond. Oneail holds a Master's in Art History from Boston University and a Master's in Education from Harvard University.

Born and raised in NH, she has worked at some of the state's most esteemed cultural institutions, including the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen, where she served as Executive Director, and the Currier Museum of Art, where she held the role of Senior Educator. Oneail has also taught at the college level for more than a decade, most recently at Southern New Hampshire University. For more information visit iamculturallycurious.com.

MASSHIRE - North Shore Career Center

Wednesday, July 27, Drop-In 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

For Ages 16+

Teens and Adults are invited to stop by the Career Center on Wednesday, July 27 from 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm in Abbot Public Library's Meeting Room. A representative of MASSHIRE - North Shore Career Center will be on hand to discuss the different services they offer, which include:

- **Career Coach Advising** - An opportunity where residents can speak one-on-one with an Advising Coach about the possibility of any training opportunities offered at MHNSCC. Training opportunities such as Career Certifications, Industry-Specific Training (Healthcare, Manufacturing), or simply Career Pathways.
- **Job Search Assistance** - This is a unique chance to review the labor market in various industries and discuss salary expectations, résumé reviews, and connections with meaningful jobs and careers.
- **Youth Career Center** - Training Opportunities specifically for Youth, Career Pathways, and Summer Jobs.
- **Veterans Service** - Dedicated Veterans Employment Representative assisting our national heroes with employment, training, and many other veteran-specific resources.
- **Business Engagements** - Meet a Business Engagement Professional who will assist businesses with job openings or referrals to state resources.

This is a drop-in program, so no registration is required.

TEEN SUMMER READING 2022: OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Saturday, June 11 - Wednesday August 31

Reference Desk, Abbot Public Library

For teens ages 13-18 or grades 7-12

Track your reading this summer and participate in Abbot Public Library's Summer Reading Challenge! When you sign up at the library's Reference Desk, you'll receive all you need to get started with our thematic reading trackers and bookmarks. For each 25 minutes, cross off an icon on your Summer Reading Tracker; and for each 500 minutes, place your name in the Teen Summer Reading Prize Basket Raffle! Anything you read from magazines, books, graphic novels, audiobooks, etc. counts toward tracking the minutes you read. At the end of the summer, all minutes read will be added together to show how much we've all read in total this summer.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email mar@noblenet.org. **This program is for teens ages 13-18 or grades 7-12.**

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A-Z Bonus Reading Challenge

As a bonus reading challenge, read a book for each letter of the alphabet! “A”, “An”, and “The” will go by the next word in the title.

Example

A - *Akata Witch* by Nnedi Okorafor

B - *The Bone Spindle* by Leslie Vedder

C - *Concrete Rose* by Angie Thomas

School Summer Reading Lists

Visit the Teen Room for access to Veterans Middle School and Marblehead High School’s summer reading lists starting in June. Titles that are available for checkout will be displayed for easy accessibility - just look for the blue cart in the Teen Room.

Please Note: Summer Reading titles will not be available after August.

CHILDREN’S SUMMER READING 2022: OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Saturday, June 11 to Friday, August 19

Children are invited to come to the Children’s Room and sign up for our Summer Reading Program. Receive a reading log to record time spent reading or listening over the summer, and a packet of fun items.

Every time kids come to the library, they can show the reading logs, get them stamped, and receive a ticket for the Summer Reading Prize Basket Raffle.

All Summer Reading Prize Raffle Baskets are sponsored by the Friends of Abbot Public Library.

All participants in the summer program can come to our Ice Cream Giveaway on Friday, August 19.

This program is supported by the Oliver P. Killam, Jr. Fund.

Marblehead School Reading Assignments

Marblehead school lists of recommended and required summer reading are available for grades K-6 in the Children’s Room.

Please Note: Summer Reading titles will not be available after August.

MORE CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Story Time Yoga with Lindsey Kravitz

Tuesday, July 5, 10:30 am

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

For kids ages 18 months - 4 years

Registration Required - call the Children's Room at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 or 237

Join Lindsey for Story Time Yoga. Lindsey will combine stretching, breathing, songs, poses, and relaxation. Kids will act out the story through yoga poses and stretches. We will end class with a savasana together.

All ages are welcome, however the program is geared towards **ages 18 months through 4 years. Space is limited, so please call the Children's Room staff at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 to register.** Don't forget to bring a small blanket or mat. This program is in-person and will be held in the Meeting Room.

This program is supported by the Oliver P. Killam, Jr. Fund.

Story Time A-Go-Go

Wednesdays, July 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10:30 am

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

For ages 0-4 years old

Registration Required - call the Children's Room at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 or 237

Children are invited to our weekly Wednesday Story Time A-Go-Go program with stories and movement led by early childhood educator Debbie Leibowitz. The program is recommended for **babies to age four**, but all are welcome! It is designed to help children make fun, active connections between stories and movement. The storytime will be held in the library Meeting Room. **Registration is required - call the Children's Room at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 or 237.**

This program is supported by the Oliver P. Killam, Jr. Fund.

Make-It, Take-It Craft

Thursdays, July 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Children's Room, Abbot Public Library

Children of all ages can come to the Children's Room anytime between 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm and make a craft to take home. Our crafts this summer will be sea and beach designs to reflect our *Oceans of Possibilities* Summer Reading theme.

Music with Dara

Fridays, July 8 and 15, 10:30 am

Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

For kids ages 2-5 years old

Registration Required - call the Children's Room at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 or 237

Join Dara for a monthly musical program you can enjoy in-person! With keyboard, felt board, finger puppets, and other engaging visual props, Dara incorporates old favorites and new songs, finger plays, rhythmic activities, creative movement, and instrumental playing. Lots of clapping, marching, singing, creative expression, and FUN!

The program is ideal for children **ages 2-5 years old**. Dara VanRemoortel is an early childhood music specialist who has been teaching at local preschools and performing at libraries, parties, school programs, and special events.

This program is registration only and is limited in space to 20 children. Please call the Children's Room to register at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217.

This program is supported by the Oliver P. Killam, Jr. Fund.

ADDITIONAL LIBRARY RESOURCES

Sign up for the library's newsletter at <https://tinyurl.com/Abbot-Library-E-Newsletter>.

Did you know BookPage is available through the library? Stop by during our open hours to pick up a copy!

Follow us on Social Media! Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AbbotLibraryMarblehead>, Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/abbotlibrarymarblehead>; or visit our website at abbotlibrary.org to stay updated on our services.

MUSEUM PASSES

Patrons can visit <https://abbotlibrary.org/services/museum-passes/> to reserve passes and promo codes for some of the best museums in the Greater Boston area. Thanks to the generous support of the Friends of Abbot Public Library, we are able to offer passes and promo codes to:

- [Boston Children's Museum](#)
- [The House of the Seven Gables*](#)
- [The Institute of Contemporary Art Boston*](#)
- [Museum of Fine Arts](#)
- [Museum of Science](#)
- [New England Aquarium*](#)
- [Peabody Essex Museum](#)

- [Zoo New England*](#)

Patrons without access to the internet can reserve a pass/promo code right at the Main Desk or by calling (781) 631-1481, though some passes may require an email address in order to be used.

Passes with an asterisk can be picked up at the library, while most of the others require you to purchase timed tickets from the museum in advance using the promo code sent to your email. Please read the instructions carefully for redeeming your pass or promo code.

FRIENDS OF ABBOT PUBLIC LIBRARY

Sail Away Book Shoppe Open During Library Hours

The Sail Away Book Shoppe is open when the library is open. Located on the main level of Abbot Public Library, the bookstore sells children's and adult books in almost-new condition at bargain prices! Sponsored by the Friends of Abbot Public Library.

Please note: due to lack of space, the Friends of Abbot Public Library are unable to accept donations. Please contact friendsofabbotlibrary@gmail.com if you have any questions.

CURRENT OPEN HOURS

Monday: 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Tuesday: 9:30 am – 6:00 pm
Wednesday: 9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Thursday: 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Friday: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sunday: Closed

CALENDAR

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For ages 0-4 years old
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Directed by Michael Leykin

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Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library
For ages 0-4 years old
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Wednesday, July 13, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Public Reception for Oceans and Possibilities Exhibit
Directed by Michael Leykin

Thursday, July 14, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Make-It, Take-It Craft
Children's Room, Abbot Public Library

Friday, July 15, 10:30 am
Music with Dara
Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

For kids ages 2-5 years old
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Thursday, July 21, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Make-It, Take-It Craft
Children's Room, Abbot Public Library

Wednesday, July 27, 10:30 am
Story Time A-Go-Go
Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library
For ages 0-4 years old
Registration Required - call the Children's Room at (781) 631-1481, Ext. 217 or 237

Wednesday, July 27, Drop-In Between 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
MASSHIRE - North Shore Career Center
Meeting Room, Abbot Public Library

Thursday, July 28, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Make-It, Take-It Craft
Children's Room, Abbot Public Library