




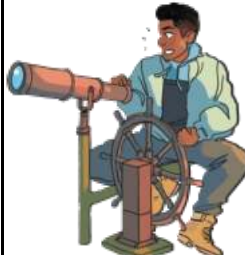


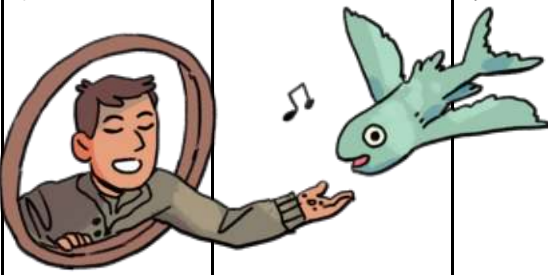


JULY 2023 Eldredge Public Library Youth Services



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<p>Many activities require pre-registration. Look for the * symbol for programs requiring registration. Please respect program times and age restrictions. Remember, registration closes 24 hours prior to the event. Register for programs online through the EPL Calendar of Events at www.eldredgelibrary.org!</p> <p>Registration for the EPL's 2023 Summer Reading Adventure is in-person only and begins on July 6th.</p>					<p>4-H Babysitting Course (Part 1)* 12:30-4:30 pm (Grades 5-12)</p>	
2 Library Closed	3  Questions? Call 508-945-5170 to speak with a Youth Services staff member.	4  	5	6 Summer Reading Kickoff with the Yo-Yo Guy, John Higy! 1:30 pm (All Ages Welcome) Tween/Teen Night Kickoff with Yo-Yo Antics & Yo-Yo Art 5:30-7:00 pm (Grades 5-12)	7 4-H Babysitting Course (Part 2)* 12:30-4:30 pm (Grades 5-12)	8 Creative Kids Storytime 10:30 am (3-5 Years with an Adult)
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Eldredge Public Library Youth Services **AUGUST 2023**

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Library Closed		<p>1 Talewise Presents: Saving Earth Together! 1:30 pm (Grades K-4)</p> <p>Tween/Teen Night Trivia Brothers* 5:30-7:00 pm (Grades 5-12)</p>	<p>2 Dungeons & Dragons 101* 1:00-3:00 pm (Grades 5-12)</p>	3	<p>4 Puppet Storytime with Through Me To You Puppets 10:00 am (Ages 18 Months-5 Years with an Adult)</p>	<p>5 Amazing Animal Ambassadors 10:30 am (All Ages Welcome!)</p>		
Library Closed		<p>8 Summer Reading Adventure Closing Celebration Mr. Vinny the Bubble Guy 1:30 pm (All Ages Welcome)</p> <p>Tween/Teen Night Eats & Beats* 5:00-7:00 pm (Grades 5-12)</p>	9	<p>10-12 8/11 is the last day to log Summer Reading minutes and activities in Youth Services.</p>		<p>11 Wee Read 10:00 am (Ages 18 Months-3 Years with an Adult)</p> <p>Junior Friends End-Of-Summer Celebration* 3:00-5:00 pm (Grades 5-12)</p>	<p>12 Creative Kids Storytime 10:30 am (Ages 3-5 Years with an Adult)</p>	
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Library Closed				<p>31 Hello Adventurers! Look for the * symbol for programs requiring registration. Registration for August programs opens on July 15th.</p> <p>Please respect program times & age restrictions. Remember that registration closes 24 hours prior to the event.</p> <p>Most of all, we hope you have fun and share your voice with the world!</p> 				

Find Your Voice!



Eldredge Public Library's 2023 Summer Reading Adventure

We're excited to provide you with another Summer Reading Adventure at the EPL! This year we're teaming up with the incredible Chatham Marconi Maritime Center to bring you a tremendous summer reading program: the 2023 "Find Your Voice" Summer Reading Adventure. Our July and August calendars are filled with programs that will have you exploring the many ways you can express yourselves and be creative! Our voices have power and we use them to share stories, communicate our thoughts, and make a difference in the world. Our voices can be heard through the sounds we make, the words we write, the art we create, the music we hear, the clothes we wear, the movements we perform, and the actions we take every day. There are so many ways to be creative, and this summer, you'll have the opportunity to explore different art forms and new creative outlets. Throughout the summer, our programs will ignite your imagination, provide you with summer reading inspiration, and give you the chance to share your unique voice with the world!

To make the most of your Summer Reading Adventure experience, we offer these helpful tips:

- Thanks to the generosity of our donors and support from the Friends of the Eldredge Public Library, all programs and activities are **free** to participants!
- All programs and events will be held at the Eldredge Public Library.
- Many events and activities require pre-registration. We offer online program registration; simply go to the Library website, www.eldredgelibrary.org, and look for the Calendar of Events. Registration may be completed from home or in Youth Services at the designated laptop.
- We are unable to register participants over the phone due to the busy activity in Youth Services each day.
- If you are registered for a program and are unable to attend, please contact Youth Services staff as early as possible so we may fill that coveted spot. Once we are full, a waiting list will be created. Filling the vacant spot is the responsibility of the Library staff; do not offer your spot to someone else. Unregistered family members or friends must receive prior approval to attend with a registered participant.
- Registration for July events is open; August event registration will open on Saturday, July 15th.
- Please respect program times. Our contracts with performers have fixed beginning and ending times, and restrictions on staff schedules dictate specific program time allotments. Please be courteous, as latecomers are a distraction for both the presenter and the audience. **This includes drop-in programs like Storytimes and Wee Read.**
- Be mindful of age restrictions. Not every program is meant for every age. Your child's grade level is the school grade your child will be entering in the fall. For example, if your child just completed 3rd grade and will be entering 4th grade in the fall, we consider them to be a 4th grader for summer reading programs.
- Please let us know before the program date if there are any important accommodations or considerations needed for a safe and positive experience for your child.
- Our programs may offer food and beverages. If your child has an allergy or food concern, please note this in the registration form. We will do our best to accommodate your child. For the safety of and respect for all patrons, we will not allow any registrant to bring their own refreshments. No food or beverages are allowed in the Library.
- The EPL may cancel a program if there are less than 5 registered participants.

Summer Tips Continued:

- While visiting Youth Services, children 8 years old and younger must be accompanied by an adult caregiver at all times. This is for the safety of the child. Due to the busy nature of the Youth Services area, staff are unavailable to watch unattended children. Additional policies are posted on the library website: www.eldredgelibrary.org.
- For your convenience, we have an infant changing table in the downstairs family restroom in the Library.
- Due to the small space and to ensure access for patrons in wheelchairs and using mobility devices, no strollers are permitted in the Library. This includes hallways, lobbies, stairwells, and alcoves. Please park strollers outside of the Library. We appreciate your assistance in ensuring access for all!
- Parking is always a challenge. Please be mindful of this to ensure prompt program attendance, and do not block the driveways, mailboxes, or yard entrances of our neighbors' homes and businesses!
- Cell phone use is not allowed in the Library except for photography purposes. This is not just a noise concern; it is a distraction that inhibits adult/child interaction and attention necessary for a safe, positive library experience.
- Please leave books to be re-shelved in appropriate designated areas.
- We are not a "shushing" library, but we do try to use our "inside voice."
- Follow, like, and share us on social media. We will have program updates, cancellations, and news posted regularly. Stay tuned to Facebook, Twitter, and/or Instagram.

Find Your Voice Summer Reading Adventure Activity and Event Descriptions

2023 Summer Reading Adventure...Find Your Voice!

Thursday, July 6th to Tuesday, August 8th—For All Ages and All Reading Abilities

Each summer the Eldredge Public Library provides a unique, high-quality summer reading program for our community. We have many goals for this program: to celebrate recreational reading; to build upon and reinforce the skills acquired during the school year; to foster a life-long love of books, reading, and libraries; to recognize the vital role the public library plays in communities throughout Massachusetts; and to share the summer days and evenings with you and your family! During our six-week summer program we'll be giving participants the opportunity to find their voice through creative expression. We're fortunate to have an excellent partner in that effort: the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center!

Teaming up with the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center is a perfect fit for this year's theme. After all, Marconi's invention completely revolutionized communication, giving people a whole new way to connect across great distances. It allowed voices to be heard like never before. And that's exactly what we want to celebrate this year: finding your voice and sharing it with the world. This summer, alongside our creative endeavors, we'll also dive into the fascinating world of wireless communications, learn about inventors, and discover captivating stories of communication at sea, where courageous sailors relied on Marconi's technology to stay connected with their loved ones on land. Though all programs will be held at the Library this summer, we encourage you to visit the Marconi Maritime Center to see all they have to offer! In fact, *Find Your Voice* participants will receive free admission for children and discounted adult admission at the Marconi Maritime Center by showing your *Find Your Voice* pin or reading tracker. We're beyond thrilled to join forces with the Marconi Maritime Center to create another unforgettable summer reading experience!

This year, we'll have performers from near and far visiting Chatham to delight and amaze us each week! Sponsored by the Eldredge Public Library, the Friends of the EPL, and the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center, *Find Your Voice* provides us with an opportunity to explore, discover, and share our creativity, inventiveness, and imagination at the EPL! **Registration for all ages begins on Thursday, July 6th immediately following John Higby's Yo-Yo extravaganza program** at our Summer Reading Adventure kickoff celebration at 1:30 pm. You may also register at any time after that by speaking with a Youth Services staff member at the Library. **(There will be no online registration for our summer reading program this year; you must register in person.)**

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Summer Reading Kickoff Celebration with Yo-Yo Guy, John Higby!

Thursday, July 6th at 1:30 pm for All Ages

It's Summer reading kick-off day! Join us for an astounding start to our Summer Reading Adventure with a performance by John Higby, Yo-Yo Guy! John has performed his high-energy comedy yo-yo show in 26 countries from Japan to New Zealand, and holds the world Yo-Yo Champion title and 4 Guinness World Records. He has been featured on Discovery Channel's Time Warp, Comedy Central, and the David Letterman Show. He even has his own Topps trading card! His performance is interactive using multiple yo-yos, a unicycle, and a giant yo-yo that John walks on! ***Registration is not required to attend this show!***

Registration for the *Find Your Voice Summer Reading Adventure* will open immediately following this performance. Our Library Junior Friend volunteers will also be onsite providing fun activities during summer reading registration.

Tween/Teen Night Kickoff Celebration featuring Yo-Yo Antics & Yo-Yo Art

Thursday, July 6th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm for Grades 5-12

Join us to kickoff another summer of fun at the EPL with the amazing antics of Yo-Yo Hall of Famer, John Higby! John is not only a world record holding yo-yo expert, he's found other ways to express himself as well. John has also found his voice through his colorful, extroverted art, which usually involves his cartoon character, Mr. Yodel. John will lead us through an exploration of yo-yos, art, and more during our tween/teen night kick-off event! **Registration is required to attend this event.**

Tuesdays are Tween/Teen Night at Eldredge Public Library!

Tuesdays, July 11th to August 8th for Grades 5-12. *Please note individual start and end times for each event.* Registration is required for every program you plan to attend.

Each week we'll feature a different activity for our teen and tween patrons:

- **Minute To Win It!** ...A Tween/Teen Night favorite returns with new crazy challenges for you to complete as fast as you can! Compete to see who will be the Minute to Win It champion. **(7/11 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm)**
- **Felting?! With Pop Up Art School!** ...What in the world is felting? Find out how to stab your way to creativity and walk out with your own unique piece of art! **(7/18 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm)**
- **Mario Kart Tournament!**...One Up Games is bringing their complete Mario Kart 8 Tournament setup to our Library. Do you have what it takes to become the EPL Mario Kart champion? **(7/25 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm)**
- **Challenge Trivia!** ...You never know what will happen when the Trivia Brothers (Ooch and Nik) show up for a trivia night at the Library! **(8/1 from 5:30 to 7:00 pm)**
- **Eats & Beats!**...We told you there are a lot of ways to express yourself and here's an unexpected mashup of two great ways: cooking and Capoeira! Capoeira is an Afro-Brazilian martial art form that combines fight, dance, rhythm, and movement. We can't wait to welcome Andre Lima of Capoeira Besouro Cape Cod to the EPL to demonstrate and teach us. But the fun doesn't end there! One of the EPL's favorites, Chef Andrew, will be returning to share Latin food and recipes with us to feed our hunger after all that activity! **(8/8 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm)**

4-H Babysitting Course (2 sessions—must attend both)

Friday, June 30th (Part 1) and Friday, July 7th (Part 2) from 12:30 to 4:30 pm for Grades 5-12

Do your tweens/teens want to babysit? Do you want to send them off prepared and confident? Register them for this invaluable two-part course taught by a 4-H professional. Subjects include child safety, first aid and emergencies, child development, feeding, discipline, entertainment, and the business of babysitting.

Participants must attend both classes and will receive an ID card certificate upon successful completion.

Registration is required, only 10 spots available.

Find Your Voice Summer Reading Adventure Activity and Event Descriptions

Creative Kids Storytime

Saturdays, July 8th, July 22nd, and August 12th at 10:30 am for Ages 3-5 Years with an Adult Companion

This summer we're exploring all different ways to be creative, and you're never too young (or too old) to express yourself! Creative Kids Storytime will explore creativity through singing, dancing, imaginary play, and stories. **No registration is required.**

Drum to the Beat with Otha Day!

Tuesday, July 11th at 1:30 pm for All Ages

Join Otha Day, nationally known master drummer and community educator for a fun and lively drum circle and rhythm exploration! Otha's programs showcase the way rhythm has the power to build community, promote well-being, and create contagious joy. **No registration is required.**

Dungeons & Dragons 101

Wednesdays, July 12th through August 2nd from 1:00 to 3:00 pm for Grades 5-12

Whether you're an experienced elf, a wizened wizard, or a hapless human new to the world of D&D, this four week campaign is sure to bring epic adventures and fun! Create your character and navigate further along on your quest each week. **Registration is required and attendance at all four sessions is necessary for participation.** *Registration is limited to 6 participants.*

Mary Wilson's Pitter Patter Puppets

Friday, July 14th at 10:00 am for Ages 18 Months-5 Years with an Adult Companion



Join puppeteer Mary Wilson for an interactive puppet variety show sure to entertain children and adults from 18 months-100 years old. Songs, silly stories, and audience participation will keep you and your little ones entertained! This program is supported in part by a grant from the Chatham Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency. **No registration is required.**

Communication Exploration with the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center

Friday, July 14th at 1:30pm for Grades 3-5

The experts from the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center will be here to guide us through an exploration of how radio, light and sound waves create energy for communication. Want to send secret messages? You can learn how, as they'll also be teaching us about Morse Code! **Registration is required.**

Rockin' Fun with Rockabye Beats!

Saturday, July 15th at 10:30 am for Ages 3-5 Years with an Adult Companion

Get ready to rock out with rhythm sticks, tambourines, and shakers as we sing and dance along with Rockabye Beats! This music and dance party is interactive and energetic, goofy and fun, and entertaining for children and adults! **No registration is required.**

Mr. Vinny's Shadow Puppets Show

Tuesday, July 18th at 1:30 pm for Grades K-4

Mr. Vinny is a favorite at the EPL for his fun, entertaining, and awesome programs! Find out why we're such fans during this surprising, silly, and interactive shadow puppet show where kids will help tell the story of "The 12 Lil' Pigs and the Big, Bad Pineapple." **No registration is required.**

Find Your Voice Summer Reading Adventure Activity and Event Descriptions

Mock Newbery & Mock Printz Book Discussion Groups

Thursday, July 20th & Tuesday, August 15th for Grades 4-12, Adults (Newbery), for Grades 7-12, Adults (Printz)
The ***Mock Newbery*** starts at **5:30 pm** and the ***Mock Printz*** begins at **6:30 pm**. Bring your own beverages and we'll provide the pizza and dessert. Both discussions follow the award criteria for selecting the most distinguished titles of the year for children and young adults. **Note: This is a year-long program that requires regular attendance each month.** For more information, email Tammy at tdepasquale@clamsnet.org.

Wee Read Storytime

Fridays, July 21st, July 28th, and August 11th at 10:00 am for Children 18 Months-3 Years with an Adult Companion

This early literacy program includes developmentally appropriate stories, songs, fingerplays, and play time together! **No registration is required.**

Art Activism with Kemp Pottery

Friday, July 21st at 1:30 pm for Grades 3-5

We're excited to welcome Steven Kemp of Kemp Pottery to the Library for an afternoon of creating with clay and exploring how to use your voice through art. **Registration is required.**

The Ooch Experience!

Tuesday, July 25th at 1:30 pm for Grades K-4

You asked for his return, some of you even begged for his return! At long last, Ooch will be here to lead us through an afternoon of zany fun with yo-yo's, music, dancing, and general Ooch fun! **No registration is required.**

Mock Caldecott Book Discussion Group

Wednesdays, July 26th & August 23rd at 10:00 am for Adults

Following the Caldecott award criteria for selecting the most distinguished picture book titles of the year, this book discussion group for adults asks participants to read and discuss titles on a quest to select the next award winner. **Note: This is a year-long program that requires regular attendance each month.** For more information, email Tammy at tdepasquale@clamsnet.org.



Music Fun Time with Evan Haller!

Saturday, July 29th at 10:30 am for Children 3-5 Years with an Adult Companion

We enjoyed having Evan Haller at our 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten kickoff event so much, we immediately invited him back to perform this summer. We want even more families to enjoy his tremendous music program! Evan's program not only entertains young minds but helps children grow mentally, physically, emotionally, and cognitively while building a sense of community and kindness both within families and between families. We can't wait to sing and dance with him again! Information about our *1,000 Books Before Kindergarten* program will be available that day, or any day in Youth Services. **No registration is required.**



Talewise Presents: Saving Earth Together!

Tuesday, August 1st at 1:30 pm for Grades K-4

In this action-packed story, two unlikely heroes work together to save their town (and the planet) from a super-polluting mastermind! Throughout the adventure, volunteers will help the performer conduct several exciting science experiments that bring this story to life! Together we'll explore Newton's Laws of Motion, air pressure, chemical reactions, and more! Don't miss your chance to experience this interactive superhero science tale! **No registration is required.**



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Puppet Storytime with Through Me To You Puppetry

Friday, August 4th at 10:00 am for Ages 18 Months-5 Years with an Adult Companion

Through Me To You Puppetry invites you to join Newton and the gang for Puppet Storytime! Newton and his puppet friends take turns reading stories and singing songs with the kids. We will say "Hi" to Newton and give him a high-five at the end of Storytime! You can stay after the show to play with some of Newton's puppets during a hands-on Puppet Free Play session! **No registration is required.**

Amazing Animal Ambassadors!

Saturday, August 5th at 10:30 am for All Ages

The Amazing Animal Ambassadors have returned to the EPL with their live animal show that is sure to astound! Meet their unique variety of animals such as parrots, exotic mammals, large reptiles, and even insects from around the globe will surely inspire our imagination! You'll have the opportunity to get up close and personal with these amazing animals! **No registration is required.**

Summer Reading Adventure Closing Celebration with Mr. Vinny the Bubble Guy

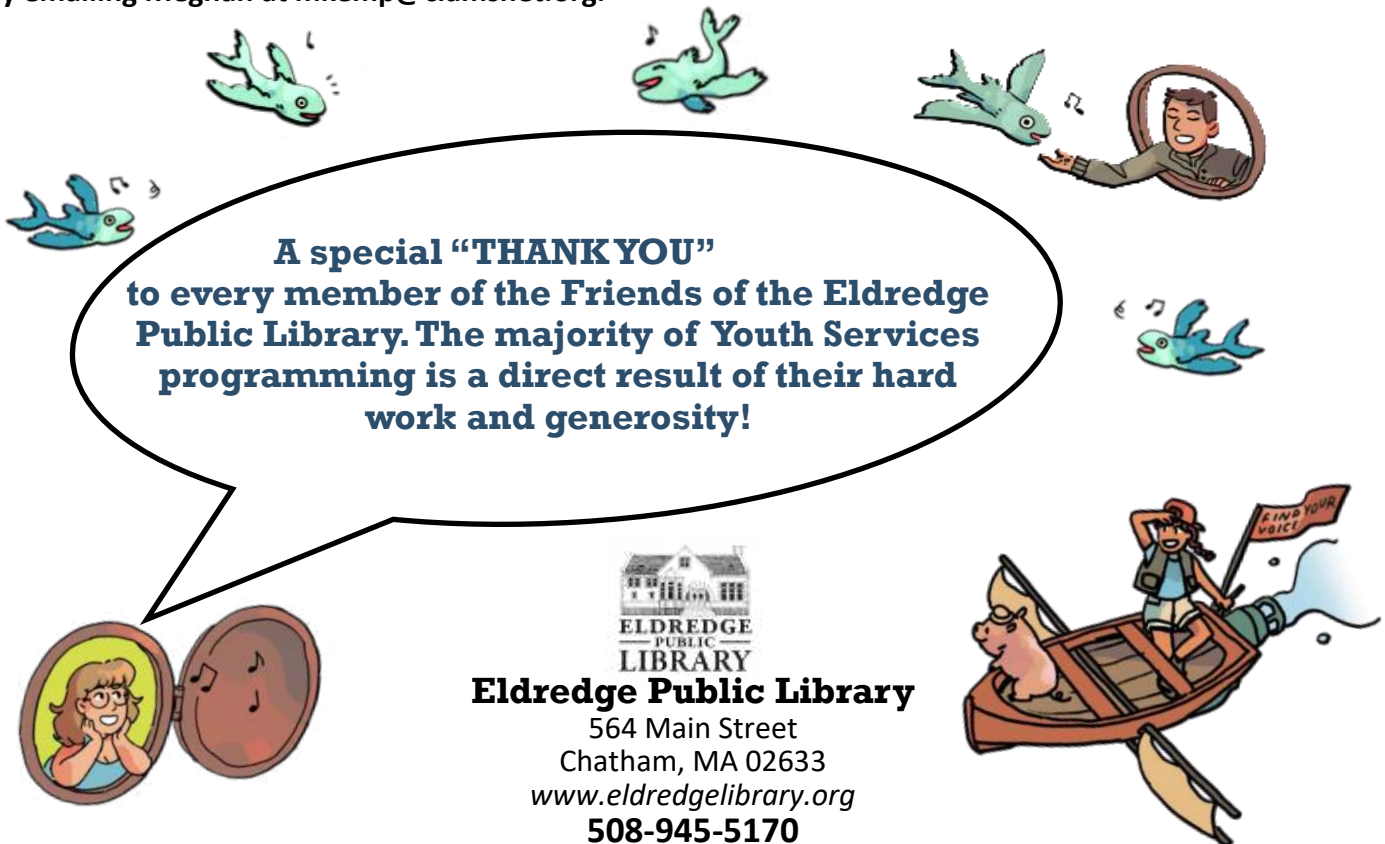
Tuesday, August 8th at 1:30 pm for All Ages

This summer you have explored all different forms of creativity, found ways to share your voice, and read many stories! Today we're going to celebrate all of you accomplished with one more way to have fun, feel good, and express yourself! The fabulous Bubble Guy has returned to share a bonanza of bubbles with us! **No registration is required.**

Junior Friends' End-Of-Summer Celebration

Friday, August 11th from 3:00-5:00 pm for Junior Friend Volunteers

The hard work of our Junior Friends is a critical part of the Summer Reading Adventure. This event is all about you, Junior Friends! An afternoon to have fun, make memories, and celebrate all you've done to make this a successful summer. **This event is only open to registered Junior Friend volunteers. Registration is required by emailing Meghan at mkemp@clamsnet.org.**



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