Spotlight Program

Messy Art Night at the Goodwin Library, Farmington
By Kayla Morin

Goodwin Library’s new signature summer program has become **Messy Art Night**. The program attracts children of all ages and even the parents participate. We have multiple messy stations (outside, of course) and they circulate around to each station. We have water gun painting, flyswatter painting, ice chalk, sponge bombs, rock painting (for our garden), and a freeze...
pop station. Last year we had a tie dye station, but this year we will have galaxy painting. We have a volunteer at each station and the kids have a punch card that they can turn in at the end of the night to enter a raffle of art supplies. It is spectacularly messy. We have two 5 gallon buckets next to the library entrance full of water so they can rinse off before returning to the library.

### Library Construction

Library Director Cynthia Scott reports that the Wolfeboro Public Library is constructing an addition to the front and side of the library and will be renovating the existing building. The project is expected to be finished December 2019.

Another large construction project is underway at the Keene Public Library. The Walpole Public Library will be relocating their new titles to a temporary location in town hall while during their construction period. The Peterborough Town Library is raising the final 10 percent of needed funds before construction begins.

### Professional Development

**Family Engagement Initiative provided by the State Library with funding from the Endowment for Heath**

**Jesse Lewis Choose Love Movement** Come listen to Scarlett Lewis speak to the importance of social emotional learning and how you can be a part of the Solution to the issues our society is facing.

*Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 10:00-12:00 Baker Free Public Library, Bow NH*

**Reserve your seat.**

**Setting the Tone: Creating a Culturally Responsive Environment** This workshop by the New Hampshire Teen Institute will leave staff with an understanding of how to create a culturally competent environment, even if there is not a lot of visible diversity in their library and how to engage children in discussions without telling them how to think or feel. Staff will leave with tools

### TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOPS AND CONSULTATIONS ON DEMAND

Technology workshops for library staff are available on-demand from the Technology Resources Librarian. Request training on a variety of topics such as eBooks, genealogy, digitization, or suggest a new topic. The Technology Resources Librarian also provides one-on-one consultations for website development or other specific technology needs. Contact Bobbi Lee Slossar with your requests.
to help children discover and explore each other’s similarities and differences in safe and fun ways.

Friday, May 31 from 9:30-11:30
Municipal Association Building, Concord

Sign up for this workshop.

Contact Deborah Dutcher, Youth Services Consultant, NHSL, with any questions about these programs.

Resources

New Professional Development Resources from NH State Library

Putting teens first in library services: a road map
Edited by Linda W. Braun and Shannon Peterson.
Publisher: YALSA

This book uses core concepts outlined in YALSA’s The Future of Library Services for and with Teens: A Call to Action report to explore theory and practice behind teen programs and services. No matter your experience, this title provides the information you need to design services in your library that will improve the lives of teens you serve. Contributions from front-line practitioners, managers and researchers. -Deborah Dutcher

Library makerspaces : the complete guide
By Theresa Willingham with contributions by Chuck Stephens, Steve Willingham, Jeroen De Boer.
Publisher: R&L (December 28, 2017)

Author Theresa Willingham is the director and chief operations officer with Eureka! Factory. She helps libraries to develop public creative spaces and programs. No matter your library size or budget, this book provides concrete strategies to make it happen with ten chapters of information on creation, programs, policies, facilities and more. -Deborah Dutcher

Library Resources to Remember

New Hampshire Library Directory
http://directory.nhlibraries.org

EBSCO Databases
https://search.ebscohost.com

lynda.com/LinkedIn Learning
Contact Bobbi for Reservations

Youth Services Blog
http://nhlibraries.org/youthservices

STATE LIBRARY WELCOMES NEW ADMINISTRATOR OF LIBRARY OPERATIONS

State Librarian Michael York is pleased to announce that Lori Fisher, most recently the Director of the Baker Free Library in Bow, has been selected from an outstanding pool of candidates to serve as the Administrator of Library Operations. Ms. Fisher starts at the position in May 2019.
Annual Report

Making the Case for Adding Municipal Budgets to the Annual Report

There are various ways to look at how much money the cities and towns in NH spend on their local libraries. The most basic is an average of the total for all NH libraries. The average of all Local Government Revenue spent on libraries is $278,945. The average percentage of a city or town’s Municipal Budget that goes to their local library is 3.27%. But that doesn’t tell the whole story.

Some municipalities have two libraries. Taking that into account, the average percentage that municipalities spend on their libraries goes up slightly to 3.48%. There are other ways to parse the data, as well. On average, NH’s 13 cities spend 2.25% of their budget on libraries. For towns, the average is 3.57%.

The data is also help to compare one’s library to your peers. There are several ways to do this, but I chose Municipal Budget and Population of the Legal Service Area, again taking into account municipalities that have two libraries. -Tim Rohe

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Note: Only 2 cities have a Population > 50,000

New Hampshire to Join Digital Public Library of America

The first 50,000+ digital items, coming from UNH, Dartmouth, Plymouth State University, and Keene State University, will be submitted to the DPLA. Digital platform software for public libraries will be evaluated later this year. Workshops and meetings pertaining to digitization, metadata, copyright, and collection development to follow.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Do you have news to share about your library? Submit your articles to Deborah Dutcher, Youth & Adult Services Coordinator.