

Coming in January!
Yankee-Red Sox
 See page 4!



Bristol Public Library
Adult Services
Newsletter

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Connections

This Issue:

New Things for a New Year! As the Yule of one year and the beginning of another approach, the library is offering new and interesting programming, service upgrades and technology to Bristol residents! In December we are celebrating the holidays in the traditional way, with a Celtic Christmas concert, and less traditionally, with our Doctor Who Holiday Social. January 2015 is “Mumbai Month,” featuring explorations of — India—through film, literature and food! We are also sneaking in some “hot stove” baseball with a Yankee-Red Sox Rivalry program. The Connecticut Historical Society is presenting a program in February about life in the 1940s and how the war changed everything. Also in February, we celebrate St. Valentine’s Day with a special Downton Abbey Tea! The new Library Express area is now open for using our free Wi-Fi or charging laptops & mobile devices. Plus, you can now learn a language, fix an engine, learn new skills, and even earn accredited CEUs using the library’s online resources. **No charge! All you need is a library card!**

Special Afternoon Coffee House:

Celtic Christmas Concert & Gathering w/

Deirdre McMorrow & Paul Pender

December 10 @ 1:00 PM

Traditional Irish Fiddler Deirdre McMorrow with Guitarist and vocalist Paul Pender will perform an Irish Christmas concert at a special afternoon coffee house. Light holiday refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Bristol Public Library. No charge, but please register at the library or call: (860) 584-7787 x 2023.

For your convenience:
Manross Page
Inside!

Manross Library events are now listed on a separate page for increased ease of use

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NEW!

Winter Sunday Hours:

1:00 PM—5:00 PM

January 4, 2015

Through

March 29, 2015

Library Adult Services programs made possible in part by generous support from:

The Friends of the Bristol Public Library

Michael “Mike” Reiss



Travel with us in Time...



BPL Winter

Movie Schedule:

Friday, December 19
@ 12:30 PM

Special Lunch Hour
French-themed
Soup & Movie

The Hundred Foot Journey

Tuesday, January 6
@ 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM
The Lunch Box

Tuesday, February 24
@ 1:00 PM
For Greater Glory

No charge. Please register
@ BPL. All movies in
Meeting Room: 1 on the
lower level.

Doctor Who

Holiday Social

Tuesday, December 9 @ 6:30 PM

We will be wishing everyone “Happy Who-lidays” at the library this December with the Doctor Who Holiday Social. We are celebrating the coming broadcast release of the annual Doctor Who Christmas Special. Join fellow Who-vians for some hot cocoa and gingerbread companions, while enjoying a past Christmas Special chosen by a Facebook poll. There will also be a drawing for *Doctor Who: The Official Annual 2015* and a trimmed Who-vian Christmas tree! No charge. Please register at the library or by calling (860) 584-7787 x 2023. Refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Bristol Public Library. Program geared for adults, aged 18+. Who-vian garb optional! **Don’t forget to find us on Facebook & vote for the Christmas episode you want to see at the social!**

...and Space!

Mumbai Month!

- **Movie—*The Lunch Box***
Tuesday, January 6 @ 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM
- **Book Discussion— *The World We Found***
Wednesday, January 21 @ 1:00 PM
- ***Dabbawalla* India Culture & Food Social**
Tuesday, January 27 @ 1:00 PM

January 2015 is Mumbai (Bombay) month at Bristol Public Library! We are starting off the new year by exploring the life and culture of India through film, literature and, of course, food! The January Afternoon Movie is the award-winning Indian cross-over film, *The Lunchbox* (“*Dabba*”) starring Mumbai-based actor Irrfan Khan. The January Bristol Book Bites discussion book is *The World We Found* by Indian-American author, and Mumbai native, Thrity Umrigar. At the end of the month, our patrons are invited to enjoy a cultural presentation on the 125 year-old *dabbawalla* phenomenon and enjoy some of the wonderful foods of India!

Dabbawalla: Since 1890, a person in India, most commonly in Mumbai, who is part of a delivery system that collects hot food in lunch boxes from the residences of workers in the late morning, delivers the lunches to the workplace utilizing various modes of transport, predominantly bicycles and the railway trains, and returns the empty boxes to the customer’s residence that afternoon.

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Pierce Campbell Performs Music of the Season **Tuesday, December 23 at 2:00 PM**

Join us for a solo, acoustic performance by the singer/songwriter who was appointed the State Troubadour by the CT Commission on Culture & Tourism for 2007 & 2008. Light refreshments. Please register.

Streetscape: The Origin of Bristol Street Names **Saturday, January 10 at 2:00 PM**

Learn how the development of Bristol was affected by the growth of its streets. Based on his year and a half of research. Bob Adamczyk, a very active member of Bristol's Historical Society, will explain how Bristol streets and geographical areas got their names. The recently updated version of the definitive historical record Adamczyk created will be available for sale. Light refreshments. Please register.

Soup and a Movie Social **Thursday, January 15 at 1:00 PM**

To celebrate National Soup Month, we'll be serving soup and showing My Winnipeg, an award-winning, melodramatic documentary by screen-writer and director Guy Maddin, who is known for recreating the look and style of silent or early-sound-era films. (Read more about the film under the movie listings on the reverse of this page.) Please bring a can of soup (if possible) to donate to a local food pantry, and your lunch, and the library will provide a variety of hot soups and coffee. Please register.

Books & Bagels with Pat **Thursday, January 29 at 10:30 AM**

A review of the best books in the library by Manross' own. Please register.

Sweet Sharing Social **Tuesday, February 3 at 2:00 PM**

An event for lovers of sweets! Seniors are encouraged to make a favorite dessert containing chocolate or any Valentine treat to share. Please bring a minimum of twelve servings, along with the written out or typed up ingredient list. After divvying up the goodies into enough samples, we'll vote for the tastiest. If you prefer not to spend so much time in the kitchen, bring some cut up fruit for the chocolate fountain instead! Please register.

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Mon. - Thu. : 10am - 8pm
Fri. - Sat. : 9am - 5pm

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Library Holiday **12/24 & 12/31: closing at 12pm**
Closings: **12/25, 1/1, 1/19 & 2/16: closed**

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Winter Movies of the Month for Adults at Manross

Light refreshments provided. Please register.

Monday, December 1 at 2:00 PM : Land Ho!

A pair of ex-brothers-in-law set off to Iceland in an attempt to reclaim their youth through Reykjavik nightclubs, trendy spas, and rugged campsites. This bawdy adventure is a throwback to 1980s road trip comedies, as well as a candid exploration of aging, loneliness, and friendship. (2014)(R)(95 min.)(info. from IMBd.com)

Thursday, January 15 at 1:00 PM : My Winnipeg

(A Soup & Movie Event, more information is on reverse of this page.) Fact, fantasy and memory are woven seamlessly together in this portrait of film-maker Guy Maddin's home town in Manitoba. Shot in black and white, combining stock archival footage (including private home videos) with new material, the film follows a young Maddin on a train trying to escape from 'sleepy, snowing, Winnipeg' and its mystic pull. (2007)(Not Rated)(80 min.)(info. from IMBd.com)

Tuesday, February 17 at 2:00 PM : Magic in the Moonlight

A romantic comedy set in the 1920s about an Englishman brought in to help unmask a possible swindle. Personal and professional complications ensue. Starring Colin Firth, Emma Stone. Written and directed by Woody Allen. (2014)(PG-13)(97 min.)(info. from IMBd.com)

Manross Book Bites

Tuesday, December 9 at 1:30 PM and
Thursday, December 11 at 5:30 PM

The Girl Who Came Home: A Novel of the Titanic by Hazel Gaynor

Thursday, January 8 at 5:30 PM and
Tuesday, January 13 at 1:30 PM

Away by Amy Bloom

Tuesday, February 10 at 1:30 PM and
Thursday, February 12 at 5:30 PM
And the Dark Sacred Night by Julia Glass

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Re-Living the 1940s

Thursday, February 5 @ 1:30 PM

Learn how the world looked growing up in a time when kids were free to roam. Recall when radio held center stage and the big-band sound dominated music. Also see what amazing things can be learned from the 1940 Census and how World War II changed everything. Made possible by a grant from the Friends of the Bristol Public Library. No Charge. Please Register.

Valentines at Downton Abbey

Saturday, February 14 @ 1:00 PM

The Bristol Public Library invites you to *Valentines at Downton Abbey: A Special Tea Party* for fans of romance and the Downton Abbey television series. Period garb encouraged, but not required! Refreshments courtesy of the Friends of the Bristol Public Library. No Charge. Please Register.

Free Online Services at Bristol Libraries

The new **Library Express** corner in the main lobby at BPL is open! Funded by a generous donation from Michael “Mike” Reiss, the Library Express corner features bistro-style tables and seating, free Wi-Fi, USB ports and power hubs for using or re-charging laptops and mobile devices. Perfect for a quick charge-up, checking email and social media or just taking a break! Covered beverages are also allowed in this area of the library (No food or cell phones, please).

Some of the other online services available to Bristol library card holders, for use at the library or at home, on www.bristollib.com include:

Transparent Language—Learn 80+ languages and ESL;

Small Engine Repair Reference Center—Assistance in providing routine maintenance, as well as extensive repairs, for ATVs, boats, personal watercraft, mowers, tractors, generators & other small engines.

Zinio—Full color downloadable interactive digital magazines;

Universal Class—Offering hundreds of online continuing education classes. Receive a certificate of completion and earn CEUs free with your library card;

Auto Repair Reference Center—Comprehensive collection of repair and maintenance information on most major manufacturers of domestic and imported vehicles.

Boston Tea Party Bus Trip!

Saturday, May 16, 2015

Sign-up now!

Cost \$101 .pp
(Seniors \$100 .pp)

Price includes:

Boston Tea Party Museum

Italian North End

Lunch at Maggiano's

Driver gratuity

More information:

(860) 584-7787 x 2023

Winter Book Bites Book Discussions:

@ Bristol Public
Library

December 17 @
1:00 PM

*The Invention of
Wings* by
Sue Monk Kidd

January 21 @
1:00 PM

The World We Found
by
Thrity Umrigar

February 18 @
1:00 PM

Me Before You
by
JoJo Moyes

WINTER ADULT PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

MISSION

STATEMENT

The Bristol Public Library System is committed to providing the community with a friendly and knowledgeable atmosphere where educational, informational, recreational, cultural, and professional materials and services can be found in a variety of formats. An emphasis is placed on encouraging the use of the library by persons of all ages in order to stimulate lifelong learning and an appreciation for reading, and to provide a resource center for ideas and information for the entire community.

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December:

Tuesday, December 9, 2014 @ 6:30 PM Doctor Who Holiday Social
Wednesday, December 10 @ 1:00 PM Celtic Christmas Concert & Gathering
Wednesday, December 17 @ 1:00 PM Bristol Book Bites Book Discussion
Friday, December 19 @ 12:30 PM Soup & Movie—*The Hundred Foot Journey*
Tuesday, December 30 @ TBA Lunch & Movie—*Unbroken* (call for details)

January:

Tuesday, January 6 @ 1:00 PM & 6:00 PM Movie—*The Lunch Box*
Wednesday, January 21 @ 1:00 PM Bristol Book Bites Book Discussion
Thursday, January 22 @ 6:30 PM Yankee-Red Sox Hot Stove Baseball
Tuesday, January 27 @ 1:00 PM *Dabbawalla* (India) Social

February:

Thursday, February 5 @ 1:30 PM Re-living the 1940s
Saturday, February 14 @ 1:00 PM Downton Abbey St. Valentine's Tea
Wednesday, February 18 @ 1:00 PM Bristol Book Bites Book Discussion
Thursday, February 19 @ 6:30 PM Dr. Goodman—Metabolism & Health
Tuesday, February 24 @ 1:00 PM Movie—*For Greater Glory*

Free CEUs with your Library Card!

Bristol Public Library offers hundreds of accredited (ANSI/IACET 1-2007 Standard) Continuing Education Units online at no charge through Universal Class. Log-in at www.bristollib.com with your Bristol library card and choose from classes such as:

- **GED Test Preparation (3.7 CEUs)**
- **ESL Basic Grammar and Basic Writing (2.0 CEUs)**
- **Resume Writing 101 (1.2 CEUs)**
- **Cooking & Baking 101 (1.1 CEUs)**
- **MS Office 2013 (3.5 CEUs)**
- **Bullying in Elementary School (0.6 CEUs)**
- **Genealogy 101 (1.2 CEUs)**
- **Nutrition 101 (1.1 CEUs)**
- **Event Planning 101 (0.9 CEUs)**

All you need is your library card!