

East Smithfield Public Library's Happenings

April 2024


**Plant
Swap**

Saturday, April 20th
See next page for details!

BINGO! – Tuesday, April 9th at 1:00 p.m. Join us for this informal, fun BINGO with refreshments and small prizes (mostly books and puzzles to choose from). Please register at myespl.org.



Info Session For Tools For Healthy Living – Wednesday, April 24th from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Presented by RIPIN, part of the Own Your Health RI Collaborative. Find out if you are interested in attending their six-week course that meets once a week for 2.5 hours. The course will teach participants how to manage symptoms and medications, communicate with family and doctors, relieve stress, eat well, exercise, and set achievable goals. Sessions will continue throughout May and June. Please sign up at myespl.org.

Yoga For Adults – Sessions run Wednesdays, April 10th and 17th at 5:30 p.m. The instructor is Pauline Genest. This free program is sponsored by Tri-County Community Action Agency, Health Equity Zone (HEZ). Please register for each session individually at myespl.org.

Craft: Glowing Mushrooms – Friday, April 12th or 26th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Ages 12 to adult. Create your own small, LED-lit glowing mushroom lamp using our craft supplies, foraged natural objects and your creativity. Please register at myespl.org.



Adult Craft – Monday, April 29th from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Come paint abstract peonies with us! We will work on capturing the essence and form of peonies using bold, expressive brushstrokes and vibrant colors. Please register at myespl.org.



Gladius Flamenco Fusion Concert – Tuesday, April 23rd from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Raised in Atlanta, Georgia, pupiled by an Andrés Segovia's protégé, and driven to obsession by Eddie Van Halen and Carlos Santana — Gladius is an award-winning composer and "accomplished classical/flamenco style guitarist" who soulfully "shreds on the electric" (Phil Keaggy). "Don't Miss This Guy Performing! What a Talent!!" says Brent Barcus (Guitarist for Shania Twain, Kenny Loggins, Elton John and dcTalk). Thank you to the FOL for sponsoring this event. Please register at myespl.org.



AARP Driver's Safety Class – Wednesday, April 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. \$20 AARP members; \$25 nonmembers, check or cash only. Insurance discount may apply. Please register at myespl.org.



Book Groups



Thursday Night Book Group – Thursday, April 25th at 6:00 p.m. Join us for a fun filled book discussion of a different title each month. New members are always welcome. Please email circ@myespl.org for the title and Zoom link.

Coffee, Cake & Conversation Book Group – Every Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m. Come join us and hear what everyone else has been reading while enjoying a tasty snack. New members are always welcome.

Friends of the Library News

26th Annual Plant Swap & Sale – Saturday, April 20th from 9:00 to 11:00, rain or shine, in the library parking lot. This is a time for gardeners and other green-thumb enthusiasts to swap their excess plants and divisions, one on one, with other plant lovers. Good divisions of perennials, bulbs, shrubs, herbs, and house plants are welcome. If you do not have any plants to swap, you may purchase one. Free Burpee Seeds will also be available while they last. We have a good selection of seeds, compliments of URI Master Gardeners. If you aren't able to make this event, the library staff have created a wonderful seed library, located on the 2nd floor of the library, where you can get seeds. Gardening is a great family activity. Either start your seeds inside, or wait to plant outside, when the weather permits.



Jewelry Sale – It's time to start cleaning out the jewelry box and bring in your unwanted jewelry for a future sale. We are currently accepting donations of both costume and fine jewelry.

Little Free Food Pantry – Thank you to all who have been supporting this initiative. Your donations are making a positive difference in others' lives. The pantry is available to anyone in need during library hours. The FOL can be reached via email at friends.east.smithfield.library@gmail.com or you can leave a message for Catherine Lynn at the circulation desk. The next FOL meeting will be held on April 13th at 1:00 p.m.

MAKERSPACE

All classes take place in the Makerspace and require registration (myespl.org), unless noted otherwise.

Cricut Classes

Heat Transfer Vinyl (HTV) – Friday, April 5th at 4:00 p.m. In this class you will learn the basics of transferring your cut vinyl design onto fabric using the Cricut Heat Press.

Basic Vinyl – Thursday, April 11th from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Learn how to make a basic vinyl sticker for your car, laptop, or water bottle.

Infusible Ink – Thursday, April 18th from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Learn to use the pen tool on the Cricut and the Cricut Mug Press to create one of a kind infusible ink mug.

Cricut Club – Friday, April 12th at 3:00 p.m. or Saturday April 20th at 1:00 p.m. Come make 3D paper butterflies with us.

Cricut Craft – Saturday, April 6th at 1:00 p.m. Join us in making cute vinyl stickers to decorate small plant pots. No experience necessary.



Makerspace continued...

Crafty Programs

Card Club – Thursday, April 4th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Each month we will learn a different art technique that we can add to our card making skills.

Jewelry Making Open Studio – Saturday, April 13th from 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Special guest Sylvia Delaney will teach how to make wire wrapped earrings and finish off necklaces and bracelets.

Laser Cutter

Meet Our Laser Machine – Friday, April 26th at 3:00 p.m. Come learn about our Laser Machine. See what it can do and design a small item: bookmark, garden sign, cork coaster, or keychain. Please only sign up for this class if you haven't taken it before. If you have taken it and would like to make more personalized items on the Laser Machine, please contact Cristina at maker2@myespl.org.



3D Printer

3D Printing Design: Creating 3D Models with Tinkercad – Monday, April 29th at 6:30 p.m. This is a companion program to 3D Print Studio. Now you can learn how to create 3D models based on your ideas with Tinkercad software.

For Kids (ages 8 and up)

Discover Maker Cart – Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The latest addition to the Makerspace is the Maker Cart. We will now be able to wheel out new activities for patrons ages 8 and up.



Introducing... Makey Makey! – Monday, April 15th at 6:30 p.m. Learn what a Makey Makey is and give it a whirl! Makey Makey is an invention kit for the 21st century. You can use it to turn everyday objects into keys for your computer. Join us as we learn how it works and try a few projects with common objects. Make bananas into bongos! Play a tune on the veggie piano!

Enhancing Storytelling with Chat GPT – Tuesday, April 16th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Writers can use Chat GPT's storytelling powers to get creative, beat writer's block, and get better at telling stories.

A.I. Guessing Game – Tuesday, April 16th from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Artificial Intelligence is good for many things... including games! Learn about A.I. image generators and more!

3D Doodler: Learning How to Draw in 3D! – Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. A 3D Doodler™ pen extrudes heated plastic that will make your drawings come to life.

Little Bits – Tuesday, April 30th from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. With Little Bits, you'll develop important STEM skills while having fun. Snap together the easy-to-use building blocks and start inventing.

New Makerspace Hours

Monday	3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Tuesday	3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Wednesday	3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Thursday	1:30 pm - 4:30 pm
Friday	3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Saturday	10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Children's

Saturday Specials

“Grab and Go” Frog Craft – Saturday, April 6th after 10:30 a.m.

Hop to the library on a Saturday morning to pick up a craft to take home. This craft is for preschool and early elementary school children. The craft will be available in the Children’s Room.



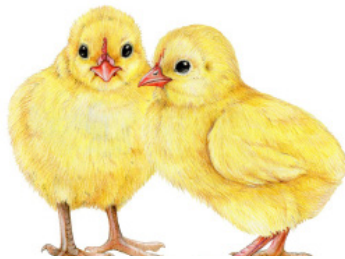
Family Story Time – Saturday, April 20th at 10:30 a.m.

Come to the library on a Saturday morning for a special family story time. This story time will be geared to toddlers and/or preschoolers and their caregivers. There will be stories, songs, and a craft. Please register at myespl.org.

Yoga for Kids – Monday, April 8th at 10:30 a.m. This program is for children ages 2 to 5 and will be taught by Ms. Pauline, a certified yoga teacher who has been practicing yoga since she was 17 years old. This program is sponsored by The Tri-County Community Action Agency, Health Equity Zone. Please register at myespl.org.

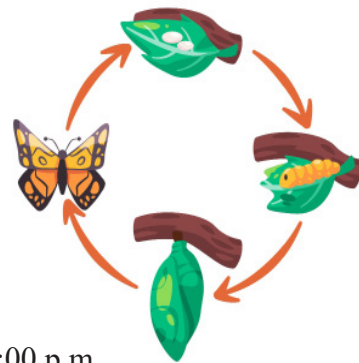


School Vacation Week Fun!



Project Chick – Monday, April 15th at 2:00 p.m. Children of all ages are invited to the library to learn about the life cycle of a chicken. This program also allows the participants to view and gently handle newly-hatched baby chicks. This special program is provided by Historic New England’s Casey Farm. Please register at myespl.org.

Snapology: Jr. Scientists: Caterpillar to Butterfly – Tuesday, April 16th from noon to 1:00 p.m. How does a caterpillar become a butterfly? In this program, we invite your little zoologist to construct their way through the butterfly life cycle. Your child will be too busy exploring the animal world to realize that they are gaining critical social, motor, and developmental skills. This program is for children ages 4 to 6. Please register at myespl.org.



Snapology: Cubelets® – Tuesday, April 16th from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In this challenge-focused program, your child will develop their computational thinking skills by playing with modular, robotic cubes known as Cubelets®! Imagine this: every way you snap the magnetic cubes together, it creates a unique robot, but what matters is how you figure out the perfect robot recipe to solve a challenge. This program is for children ages 7 and older. Please register at myespl.org.

P a g e s

Book Groups

Registration is required for all book groups. Please register via our website. For additional information, please contact Ms. Carol at childrens@myespl.org.

Bookworms Book Group – Thursday, April 4th from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Any child in 2nd or 3rd grade along with their parent/caregiver may join us for this book group. We will continue to meet once a month during the school year.

“Books R Fun!” Book Group – Thursday, April 11th from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
This book group is for children in 4th or 5th grade who love to read and discuss books. We will continue to meet once a month during the school year.

Middle School Book Group – Wednesday, April 10th from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
This book group will be for children in grades 6th through 8th. We will continue to meet once a month throughout the school year.



Children’s Scratch Club – Thursday, April 4th at 6:00 p.m. Scratch Club is geared towards children from 3rd to 5th grade who want to learn to code or already have coding experience. Children will have the opportunity to create projects and learn block-based programming. This club is led by a Smithfield High School student in the Computer Science Pathway. Please register at myespl.org

Story Times

Registration is required for all story times. Please register at myespl.org.
This session storytimes will run for six weeks. When you sign up, you are committing to the entire session. This session began the week of March 25th and will end the week of April 28th.

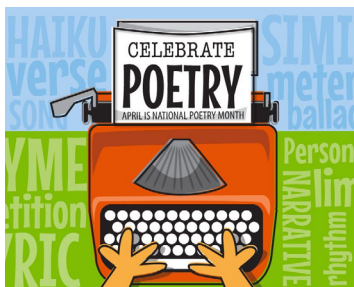
Tiny-Tots Story Time – (For children 18 months to 3 years old) This story time will be held on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. We will read books, sing songs, and do finger plays. Exploratory social play will follow the story time. A parent/caregiver must participate in this program.

Preschool Story Time – (For children ages 3 to 5 years old) This story time will be held on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. There will be age-appropriate stories, songs, finger plays, and a craft. A parent/caregiver must participate in this program.

Pancakes and Pajama Story Time – Thursday, April 18th at 6:30 p.m.
Come to the library for stories and yummy pancakes. Wear your pajamas and bring your favorite stuffed animal. This program is for children ages 3 and older. Please register at myespl.org.

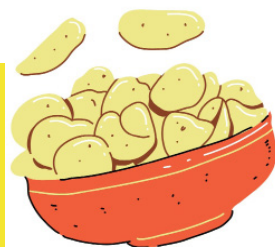


TEEN SPACE



National Poetry Month – During National Poetry Month, send Ms. Maddie (teen@myespl.org) a haiku or poem and/or review your favorite collection of poems/novel in verse. If you share your review before Friday, April 26th, you have a chance of being featured on our social media!

Study and Snack – Tuesday, April 2nd at 4:30 p.m.
Do homework, study, or hangout while you enjoy some snacks and peaceful music.



Teen Book Club – Tuesday, April 9th at 4:30 p.m. This month we'll be chatting about *We Are All So Good at Smiling* by Amber McBride. New members are always welcome!



Doodle Day – Monday, April 15th at 5:00 p.m. Unwind and doodle using the provided coloring pages, zentangles, and other supplies or work on your own doodle.

Social Justice Book Club – Tuesday, April 23rd at 4:00 p.m. This month we'll be chatting about *Monstrous: A Transracial Adoption Story* by Sarah Myer. Learn more about equal rights, equitable opportunities, and how different social justice issues are intertwined.



Creative Writing Workshop – Wednesday, April 24th at 5:00 p.m.
Learn ways to start a story, try different craft techniques, share your work, and enjoy the ambience of the library while crafting your own stories. Work at any stage is welcome!



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Monday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday 9:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Friday 9:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.



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