



# CALENDAR

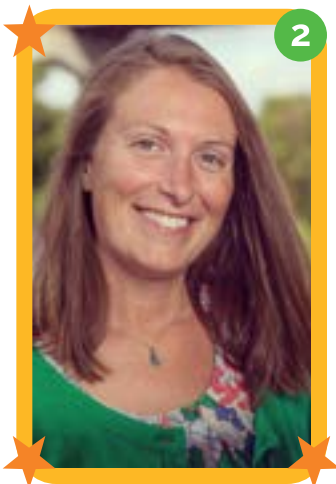
## Library Events & News!

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### What's inside

This calendar contains information about events coming up in December, January, and February.





# News

## READING RADAR

*local celebrity*



### What is Kate reading?

Kate Luczko, president and CEO of the Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce, is the latest local celebrity to offer recommendations on our Reading Radar page. Her choices range from contemporary and classic fiction to memoir, self-help, and titles to please both teens and adults. They will be posted in December and January. Take a look: [nashualibrary.org/connect/reading-radar](http://nashualibrary.org/connect/reading-radar).

And in case you missed them, now you can also see recommendations from our previous Reading Radar local celebrities, at [nashualibrary.org/connect/reading-radar/celebrity-reader-archive](http://nashualibrary.org/connect/reading-radar/celebrity-reader-archive).

### e-Learning with your library card

Did you know that your library card gives you free access to online classes, to Creativebug crafting videos, to language-learning materials, and more? Check out all our e-learning offerings at [nashualibrary.org/explore/elearning](http://nashualibrary.org/explore/elearning).

### What's open at the library

The library building closed on November 20 due to a spike in COVID-19 cases. Check our website at [nashualibrary.org](http://nashualibrary.org), or call 603-589-4600, for current information on opening status.

#### The following remote services are available whether or not the building is open:

- Curbside pickup for items placed on hold.
- Interlibrary loan. Request books from other libraries at [nashualibrary.org/explore/interlibrary-loan-2](http://nashualibrary.org/explore/interlibrary-loan-2).
- Temporary library cards, obtained online, valid until the end of the school year.
- Chat with reference librarians, during our regular hours. Click on the chat button at [nashualibrary.org](http://nashualibrary.org) to ask a question or get help with your library account.

Our Books by Mail program has expanded! Anyone at high risk for serious illness from COVID-19, including anyone age 60 or older, is now eligible.

Go to [nashualibrary.org/services/books-by-mail-2](http://nashualibrary.org/services/books-by-mail-2) or call 603-589-4627.

## Books by





# Family

## Virtual Family Escape Rooms

Using hidden clues and answering trivia questions, work with your family to break out of our virtual escape rooms. Visit [nashualibrary.org/explore/kids/whats-happening](https://nashualibrary.org/explore/kids/whats-happening).



### Complete the Recipe!

December 1-31

Can you make the world's tastiest cookies?



### Case of the Missing Snowman

January 1-31

Solve the case of the missing snowman before he melts away!

### A Grimm Situation

February 1-28

Put together the pieces of classic Grimm's Fairy Tales to escape.



### Baby Signing

Learn the best techniques for signing with children from birth to 24 months old. Parents and caregivers can join Kayla Calabro, a speech and language pathologist, who will also answer questions about child development and speech delays.

Register at [tinyurl.com/nplchild](https://tinyurl.com/nplchild) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Tuesday, February 9**  
4 pm, Virtual

# Children



## Virtual Storytimes

### Birth–Preschool

Watch our storytimes on demand, enjoy a movement activity, and browse weekly book lists. New storytimes will be available every Monday at 10 am at [nashualibrary.org/explore/kids/whats-happening](http://nashualibrary.org/explore/kids/whats-happening).

- 12/7 Express Yourself
- 12/14 Bears
- 12/21 Pajama Party
- 12/28 Food
- 1/4 Sledding
- 1/11 Winter
- 1/18 Let's Be Brave
- 1/25 Counting
- 2/1 Be You
- 2/8 Penguins
- 2/15 Valentine's Friends
- 2/22 Get Up and Move!

### Virtual Pet Show

Grades K–5

No, you can't bring your pets into the library, but with our virtual program, you can show them off to us. No pet is too small, too large, or too scary! Register at [tinyurl.com/nplchild](http://tinyurl.com/nplchild) to get an invitation to the virtual event.

**Monday, December 28**  
10 am, Virtual

### Nature Quest

**Ages 8–14.** See page 7.

## Babies and Books Zoom

### Birth–12 months

Through stories and music, learn how to read aloud and develop your baby's language and prereading skills. Register at [tinyurl.com/nplchild](http://tinyurl.com/nplchild) to get an invitation to the virtual event.

**Fridays, 10 am, Virtual**  
12/11, 1/8, 2/12



# Children

## Take-n-Make Crafts

Each month we'll offer a project just right for the age of your child. No registration is required.

Pick up all the materials you need for these crafts either curbside or in the library, while supplies last. *Note that pickup is not available on Fridays, since we're closed.*



DECEMBER 7-12

### **Snowflake Macaroni** Birth–Preschool

Use glittery macaroni to work with your little one on counting and making letters. Then glue the pieces together to make a snowflake decoration.

### **Germ-Busting Silly Soap** Grades K–2

Measure, mix, and knead your way to fun-smelling silly soap. This soap doesn't just kill germs and keep you clean—you can play with it! Squish it, smooch it, mold it, or make tons of bubbles.

### **Mini Hockey Game** Grades 3–5

Using simple craft supplies, build your own miniature hockey rink complete with nets, sticks, and a puck. When you're finished, message your friends and challenge them to a game on Zoom.

JANUARY 4-9

### **Build a Snowman Sensory Bag** Birth–Preschool

Decorate a snowman inside a sensory bag, with eyes, nose, mouth, and more. Later you can give it a squish, move it all around, and do it again.

### **New Year's Bunting** Grades K–2

What are your favorite memories of 2020? Do you have any goals for 2021? Write them on flags of the bunting you create and track your progress as the year goes by.

### **Winter Bingo** Grades 3–5

Around your neighborhood and in your home, complete your Bingo card by building a snowman, enjoying hot chocolate, and more. Make a lanyard for your card for easy carrying.

FEBRUARY 8-13

### **Hot Chocolate ABC Game** Birth–Preschool

Share a cup of hot chocolate and make a game: Roll a mini marshmallow across the board and name the letter it lands on.

### **Melting Frozen Hearts** Grades K–2

This Valentine's Day, try a science experiment: Melt icy hearts in a variety of ways, make predictions on which will work best, and talk to your adult about your results.

### **Mug Meal: Granola** Grades 3–5

Make a delicious breakfast in your microwave! All materials, including a special mug and mug-meal recipes, will be in the kit for this tasty craft.

For ages  
12-17



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# Teens

## Virtual Breakout Rooms

So you enjoy escape rooms, but have you ever tried Breakout? Test your brain skills in our Virtual Breakout Room at [nashualibrary.org/explore/teens](https://nashualibrary.org/explore/teens) to see if you can unlock all the locks!

- December 1–31 **Hunger Games**
- January 1–31 **Pop Culture Pop Quiz**
- February 1–28 **Groundhog Day**

## AniMondays

### Grades 6–8

Let's get together on Zoom to chat about all things anime and manga! Watch the suggested movie in advance (or don't) and join us on Monday. All movie suggestions are free to stream on Kanopy with your library card. Register at [tinyurl.com/nplteen](https://tinyurl.com/nplteen) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

### Mondays, 4 pm, Virtual

- 12/28 **Nocturna**  
Rated PG | 84 mins.
- 1/25 **Patema Inverted**  
Rated PG-13 | 99 mins.
- 2/22 **Mia and the Migoo**  
Rated PG | 92 mins.

## Let Music Soothe Your Soul

Help us create a playlist that expresses our feelings for 2020, the year of the 'Rona. We'll also play and learn with Chrome Music Lab. Maybe you can create your own melody to enhance this playlist? Register at [tinyurl.com/nplteen](https://tinyurl.com/nplteen) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

Saturday, January 9  
2 pm, Virtual

## The Black Matter is Life

**Ages 14 to adult.** See page 7.

## Nature Quest

**Ages 8-14.** See page 7.

## Teen Take-n-Makes

Pickup is not available on Fridays.

### De-Stress with a Virtual Hug Kit

2020 is ALMOST over! De-stress with DIY fidget toys, positiviTAY stickers, coloring pages, and a journaling notebook. During the week, take some deep breaths and reflect over the weirdness that was 2020, then join us 12/12 for a virtual hug where we can vent our stress and celebrate our success to welcome 2021 with good vibes.

Register at [tinyurl.com/nplteen](https://tinyurl.com/nplteen) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

Saturday, December 12, 2 pm, Virtual  
Pick up materials December 7–12

### Clean Your Sweet Face

For yourself or for your sweetie, make your own sugar scrub with conversation hearts for soft, sweet-smelling skin. No registration required. All supplies will be provided via curbside or in-library pickup.

Pick up materials February 8–13



# Multi-Age

## Nature Quest

### Ages 8-14

Are you a nature lover? Here's your chance to study natural habitats, try out science experiments at home, and visit local parks to learn how water, land, plants, and animals are related. The program will be run by the Nashua River Watershed Association once a month on Saturdays from January through May. Students will attend a one-hour virtual meeting with the group in the morning and in the afternoon go on a 90-minute outdoor guided adventure for students and families in a Nashua park. The group will create "Discover Nashua's Nature," a guide to be displayed in the library and online.

Register at [tinyurl.com/nplchild](https://tinyurl.com/nplchild) (scroll to 1/9).

Saturdays, 1/9, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1  
10:30–11:30 am and 1–2:30 pm  
Virtual and in Nashua parks



## The Black Matter is Life:

Poetry for Engagement and Overcoming

### Ages 14 to adult

This is the third in a series of online poetry conversations sponsored by the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire and facilitated by UNH professors Reginald Wilburn and Dennis Britton. Today we'll discuss poems on the theme "Love, Love, Love" within the context of their African American literary tradition, their cultural heritage, the traditions they encompassed, and the relevance this tradition has to us today. Register at [blackheritagetrailnh.org/the-black-matter-is-life](https://blackheritagetrailnh.org/the-black-matter-is-life).

Poetry lovers are encouraged to write and submit collaborative poems to this event, one of which will be read during the program. Find out how at [tinyurl.com/bhtpoetry2021](https://tinyurl.com/bhtpoetry2021).

Thursday, January 21  
5 pm, Virtual

## Mush! Stories from the Iditarod

### All ages

Who is in luck to run the nearly 1,000-mile Iditarod sled dog race in Alaska? Musher Chloë Sporgi has done it three times. She'll tell us tales from the trail and bring along photos, gear, Noggin (her Alaskan husky), and Chloe (her Sporgi).

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

Wednesday, January 27  
7 pm, Virtual



# Adults

## Downtown Book Group

This daytime book group, run by a reference librarian, is open to all. Register at [tinyurl.com/npldiscussion](https://tinyurl.com/npldiscussion) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Fridays, 3 pm, Virtual**

- 12/11 *The Keeper of Lost Things*  
by Ruth Hogan
- 1/8 *The Darwin Affair*  
by Tim Mason
- 2/12 *Interpreter of Maladies*  
by Jhumpa Lahiri

## Adult Craft Classes

**Ages 18 and up**

Materials will be available in the library or at curbside pickup from the Tuesday to Thursday before the class. Register at [tinyurl.com/nplcraft](https://tinyurl.com/nplcraft) to get an invitation to the Zoom class.

**Fridays, 3 pm, Virtual**  
**Pick up materials**

- 12/18 **Origami Gift Boxes**  
Create folded origami boxes with lids that are perfect for gift-giving.
- 1/15 **Woven Magazine-Page Coasters**  
Join us as we weave colorful coasters from strips of magazine pages.
- 2/19 **Abstract Paintings**  
Create bright, colorful abstract paintings.



## December

### **A Libertarian Walks Into A Bear**

In 2004, the Free Town Project launched a plan to take over Grafton, NH, and completely eliminate its government. Public funding shrank, and the anything-goes atmosphere soon caught the attention of Grafton's neighbors: the bears. Citizens ignored hunting laws and regulations about food disposal. The bears smelled food. Author Matthew Hongoltz-Hetling tells the story.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Wednesday, December 2**  
**7 pm, Virtual**

### **What Does It Mean to Be an American?**

"Open Questions" is a series of thought-provoking community conversations presented by New Hampshire Humanities. This discussion will focus on the question "What does it mean to be an American?" Join us and share your thoughts. Facilitated by

Drs. Max Latona and Josh Tepley, philosophy professors at St. Anselm College.

Register at [tinyurl.com/whatdoesitmean2020](https://tinyurl.com/whatdoesitmean2020) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Thursday, December 3**  
**7 pm, Virtual**



For ages  
18+

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# Adults

## January

### **Winter Soups:** Comfort in a Bowl

When frosty weather is keeping you indoors, what could be more comforting than a delicious homemade soup? Chef Liz Barbour of The Creative Feast will show you how to prepare a flavorful chicken stock and two soups to ward off the cold.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Thursday, January 7**  
7 pm, Virtual

### **Boring to Beautiful:**

#### A Room Makeover in 5 Steps

Join master stager and designer Margaret Innis to discover how to make over a room quickly and easily without buying a thing. Learn to decorate around that TV, the magic number for rearranging your family room, and how colors and lighting can have a big impact on any space.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Thursday, January 14**  
7 pm, Virtual

### **The Black Matter is Life:**

Poetry for Engagement and Overcoming

See page 7.

## February

### **Medicare 101**

Learn the basics of Medicare: how it works, what it costs, how to enroll, and more.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event and receive a link to a recording of the program.

**Thursday, February 11**  
10 am, Virtual

### **Beginning Baby Signing**

See page 3.

### **Why Native Landscapes Matter**

Your garden can be both a place of beauty and biodiversity and provide habitats for birds, butterflies, and wildlife. Claudia Thompson will give an overview of the essential role of native plants in ecosystem health, starting with the concept of co-evolution between plants and animals and ending with a tour of her 7,000-sq.-ft. garden in Cambridge.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to get an invitation to the Zoom event.

**Thursday, February 25**  
7 pm, Virtual



For ages  
18+



# Adults

## Computer Classes

Register at [tinyurl.com/nplcomputerclass](https://tinyurl.com/nplcomputerclass) to get an invitation to these virtual classes. For class descriptions and prerequisites, call 603-589-4611 or go to [nashualibrary.org/attend/computer-classes/class-descriptions](https://nashualibrary.org/attend/computer-classes/class-descriptions).

### **Intro to Google and Gmail**

- Thursday, December 3 ..... 3 pm
- Thursday, January 7 ..... 3 pm
- Thursday, February 4 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Google Docs\***

- Thursday, December 10 ..... 3 pm
- Wednesday, January 20 ..... 3 pm
- Wednesday, February 10 ..... 3 pm

### **Advanced Google Docs\***

- Thursday, January 28 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Google Sheets\***

- Tuesday, December 8 ..... 3 pm
- Monday, January 11 ..... 3 pm
- Tuesday, February 2 ..... 3 pm

### **Advanced Google Sheets\***

- Wednesday, December 23 ..... 3 pm
- Tuesday, February 16 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Google Books**

- Tuesday, January 26 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Google Forms\***

- Tuesday, January 5 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Google Slides\***

- Monday, February 22 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Facebook\*\***

- Thursday, February 25 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Pinterest**

- Monday, February 8 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Twitter**

- Monday, December 14 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to Craigslist**

- Wednesday, December 30 ..... 3 pm

### **Introduction to eBay**

- Tuesday, January 19 ..... 3 pm

### **Genealogy**

- Tuesday, December 1 ..... 3 pm

*\* Student must have a Google account.*

*\*\* Prerequisites: An email address and basic knowledge of using the Internet.*



## Library closures

### **Closed for Christmas**

Thursday, December 24 (closing at noon)  
Friday, December 25

### **Closed for New Year's**

Thursday, December 31 (closing at 3 pm)  
Friday, January 1

### **Closed MLK/Civil Rights Day**

Monday, January 18

### **Closed Presidents Day**

Monday, February 15

## Library hours

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Even if the building is closed, we still provide curbside pickup and we answer phones, email, and chat.

### **Curbside pickup available:**

Monday to Thursday: 10 am–7 pm  
Saturday: 10 am–2 pm

### **Phones, email, and chat answered:**

Monday to Thursday: 9 am–7 pm  
Friday and Saturday: 9 am–5 pm

## What if it snows?

Check [nashualibrary.org](http://nashualibrary.org) for a red ticker at the top of the page that will announce if we close.

We also post to Facebook, WMUR, and our phone line (603-589-4600).

## Keep in touch

Administration.....	603-589-4623
Books by Mail.....	603-589-4627
Children's Services.....	603-589-4631
Customer Services.....	603-589-4600
Information Desk.....	603-589-4611
Outreach Services.....	603-589-4610
Teen Services.....	603-589-4612

## Read us in print

Pick up a calendar when you visit the library, or have it mailed to you by joining the Friends of the Library: [nashualibrary.org/connect/friends-of-the-library/join](http://nashualibrary.org/connect/friends-of-the-library/join).

## Receive our emails

Keep up-to-date on library events by subscribing to *This Week @ Your Library*. Text "NPL" to 22828 or go to [tinyurl.com/nplnewsletter](http://tinyurl.com/nplnewsletter) to sign up.

## Follow us online



## **Friends of the Library**

The Friends group uses these business meetings to plan special projects, fundraising, book sales, and public outreach. All are welcome. Register at [tinyurl.com/nplfriends](http://tinyurl.com/nplfriends).

**Mondays, 7 pm, Virtual**  
12/14, 1/11, 2/8



2 Court Street, Nashua, NH 03060

## Home Networking

With so many of us working and learning remotely, we all need to know what to do when the kids yell, "The internet is down!" John Carlson will explain the basics of home networking and how to make it work for you.

Learn to identify and understand your physical network, speed test your Wi-Fi, manage your router, and troubleshoot. John has a master's in computer science focused on network design and over 30 years experience working on computer networks.

Register at [tinyurl.com/npllectures](https://tinyurl.com/npllectures) to receive an invitation to this Zoom event.

**Wednesday, January 6  
7 pm, Virtual**

**Send to:**