



LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Inspire Your Imagination, Widen Your World

Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

April 2025 Newsletter

www.lithgowlibrary.org

Library Hours:

Monday - Thursday:
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to Noon

(207)-626-2415

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The Library will be CLOSED
Monday, April 21st for Patriots' Day



Vacation Week Programs in the Children's Room!

Clay Dinosaur Workshop with Robbi from Maple Lane Pottery



Come have some fun making your favorite dinosaur with Robbi from Maple Lane Pottery. For ages 7 to 12.

Registration Required.

Wednesday, April 23rd at 11 a.m.

Family Movie Afternoon

Join us for a screening of *Wish* (2023). Popcorn will be provided! Bring your own chairs, blankets, or whatever else you need for a cozy afternoon. Open to families of all ages, but may be best suited to children ages 6+ with their caregivers.



Thursday, April 24th at 2 p.m.

Recycled Paper Beadmaking



In this hands-on activity led by EcoMaine, participants will create paper beads out of scrap paper. Recommended for children ages 5-12 with a caregiver.

Registration Required.

Friday, April 25th at 2 p.m.

Tween Book Group

Tuesday, April 8th at 6 p.m.

Kids 10-12 are invited to join us for a book discussion and hangout each month. This month, we'll be reading *Winterhouse* by Ben Guterson, and we will have a virtual visit from the author! Registration is required - please register by stopping by the Children's Room or calling us at 626-2415.



FREE FOR ALL: The Public Library



Dawn Logsdon
(left)

Lucie Faulknor
(right)



Lithgow Library & University of Maine Augusta Libraries are teaming up to host a free screening of *Free for All: The Public Library* during National Library Week.

Join us on Tuesday April 8th at 5 p.m. at Jewett Hall at the University of Maine Augusta at 46 University Drive.

This Independent Lens documentary, directed by Dawn Logsdon and Lucie Faulknor, explores how public libraries shaped the country and continue to be a sanctuary for Americans everywhere.

Join us for the viewing and conversation after the film.

Earth Month Series



See flyers or website for more details on each program.

Crafts From Scraps Competition

Saturday, April 5th at 10 a.m.
Registration required.

Efficiency Maine Resources for Homeowners

Monday, April 7th at 5:30 p.m.

Papermaking with Ecomaine

Thursday, April 17th at 5:30 p.m.
Registration required.

Finding Wonder: Nature Journaling and Field Sketching

Friday, April 18th at 3 p.m.
Registration required.

Repair Cafe

Wednesday, April 23rd from 4 to 7 p.m.
Registration required.



Art in Bloom

The Beat Goes On

Saturday, April 26th from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

This year's event will feature floral arrangements inspired by music. This event is free and open to all.

Presented by The Friends of Lithgow Library
& Kennebec Valley Garden Club

Food for Thought

We'll discuss food-themed books, enjoy a snack, and complete a fun, book-related activity. For children 3 to 8 (with a caregiver). To sign up, stop by the Children's Room or call us at 207-626-2415.



Registration is recommended.

Wednesday, April 2nd at 6 p.m.

Barks and Books

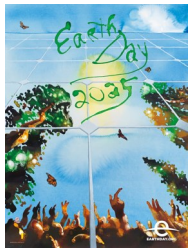
Barks and Books is a read to a dog program for children up to age 13.

Friday, April 11th at 3:15 p.m.

Each child will have 15 minutes to read aloud to the dogs from a book of their choice (bring your own or use one of ours). The dogs are trained, volunteer therapy dogs who love being read to.



There are limited time slots per program, so we encourage you to sign up in advance. To register, please contact Youth Services.



Tween Scene: Let's Celebrate Earth Day

**Wednesday, April 16th
6 p.m.**

Let's talk about Earth Day and discuss what we can do to help protect the environment. Plans include making a self-watering planter, planting flower seeds in recycled planters, and even making our own DIY Chia Pets!

For youth ages 8 to 12.

Registration is required. Call the library at 626-2415, or email Kathy at lithgowtweens@gmail.com to sign up!

Above the Treeline: Alpine Worlds of Maine

Presented by Amanda Reimer

Join Amanda Reimer from the Maine Appalachian Trail Club (MATC) for an educational journey into the alpine worlds of Maine—remarkable ecosystems that cover less than 1% of the state's landscape. Learn about the extraordinary nature of these ecosystems and what we can do to protect them for future generations.



Wednesday, April 30th at 6 p.m.

Seed Catalog



We would like to introduce Lithgow's Seed Library starting in April, 2025. This is a chance to share seeds with our patrons and community. We have had very generous donations from Sow Right Seeds, the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, Pinetree Garden Seeds, and patrons! This free resource will be available for community members and will have a large variety of vegetable, herb and flower seeds to choose from.

The seed catalog will be located on the second floor for people to browse and take seeds they would like to grow at home. Varieties and supply will vary. We look forward to sharing seeds and hearing about what people grow throughout the year.

Windows 11 Basics

April 14th, 15th, & 16th from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

macOS Basics

April 16th, 17th, & 18th from 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.

Registration required. See flyer or website for more details.

Save Your Books!

The Library will accept donations for its annual book sale **beginning in May** on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Friends will accept gently used fiction and nonfiction, children's books, DVDs, music CDs, and audiobooks.

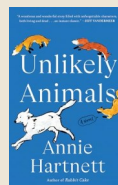
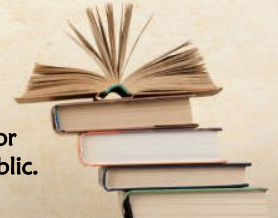
They will NOT accept textbooks, encyclopedias, VCR or cassette tapes, or anything in poor condition.

If you wouldn't buy it yourself, please don't donate it.

The sale will be September 4th-6th.

Lithgow Book Club

A monthly book discussion group for adults that is free and open to the public. Reserve your copy today!



Unlikely Animals

by Annie Hartnett

Wednesday, April 9th at 6:30 p.m.

Martyr!

by Kaveh Akbar

Wednesday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m.



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