



LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Inspire Your Imagination, Widen Your World

Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

June 2026 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 on
Friday, June 19th in
observance of Juneteenth.



We want your BOOKS!

We are currently accepting donations on
Tuesdays and Thursdays for the annual
Lithgow Book Sale.

The sale will be held August 13th - 15th.

See flyer for more details.

Summer Reading is for everyone!

Starting June 15th



Lithgow Library has programs and prizes for readers of all ages this summer - whether you're 1 month or 1 century old. Our theme this year is **Plant a Seed, Read** - join us as we explore gardens, growing, and great reads! Bingo boards customized for kids, teens, and adults will be available starting June 15th.

Complementary programming runs June 15th - August 14th.

As a special celebration of lifelong learning, we invite artists of all ages to submit works to our **Summer Reading Art Contest**. Participating patrons can pick up supplies at the library starting June 15th, and submissions will be displayed for a public reception and vote on Monday, August 3rd.

Check our website or call the library for more information.

Community Pride Month Celebration

Thursday, June 4th
4-6 p.m. in the Teen Room

Kids, teens, and their families are invited to join us in the Teen Room for rainbow crafts and photo booth fun as we gather together to kick off Pride month. Let's celebrate what makes each of us fabulous!



Join us for a gardening session about ways to grow some of your own food using the model developed by the University of Maine, Piscataquis County Cooperative Extension, called the One Tomato project.

PLEASE SEE FLYER FOR MORE DETAILS!

Tuesday, June 9th

CHOOSE YOUR SESSION!
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED! 3 or 5 p.m.

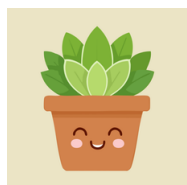
Teen Summer Reading

Teen Summer Reading starts on
Monday, June 15th. Teens can sign up
in the Children's Room or in the Teen Room.

Our first summer reading program
will be 'Start Your Garden' on
Wednesday, June 17th at 6 p.m.

Come visit the Teen Room to
start planting your garden -
while supplies last.

No registration required.



Summer Reading Programs for Kids!



Summer Reading Kickoff Open House

Monday, June 15th

Come sign up for Summer Reading on the very first day!
Treats and festivity in the Children's Room while supplies last. All ages.



Story Time with Viles Arboretum

Thursday, June 18th at 10 a.m. @ Lithgow Library

OR

Saturday, June 20th at 10 a.m. @ Viles Arboretum

Growing great readers! Join us for story time and a guided planting activity.
Choose either date/location. Recommended for ages 3 to 8.
No registration required, space & supplies limited to 75.



Author/Illustrator Visit with Kevin Hawkes

Tuesday, June 23rd at 4p.m.

Come meet the author/illustrator behind *The Wicked Big Toddler*, *Library Lion*, and many other beloved picture books. Mainer Kevin Hawkes will share more about how books are made. Books will be available for purchase. Recommended for ages 5 to 12. No registration required, space limited to 75.



Build-A-Book

Monday, June 29th at 2p.m.

Tell a story and put it together in your very own book! Stop by any time between 2 and 3. Recommended for ages 3 to 7. No registration required.



Teen Poetry Contest Winner

Dearest Death,

I've been sitting here thinking with the wind upon my face, wondering if my love was truly a disgrace. And I'm sitting here questioning, my life within my hands. Right here it was all tied up playing with the bands. Tied in tangles my roots are all but gone, Yet they still stay with you drinking from your wrong. And sitting here, here I am, caught inside your dreams. Lured in by pretty songs, drowning by your screams. And sitting here, here I am, lost within your lies. And standing there, there she is, the Banshee that just cries. I've been sitting here thinking with the wind upon my face, deciding that it's finally time to fall out of the race.

Your Dearest Flower, Wilted and Scorned

-McKenzie Gay, 18

Concerts in June



Good Treble

Thursday, June 4th
6 p.m.



Route 66

Thursday, June 11th
6 p.m.



Trio con Brio

Friday, June 26th
1 p.m.

with special guest vocalist Christine Lecher

All concerts are free and open to the public!



A Conversation with Jack Montgomery

Author of
"From the Holocaust to Maine,
Testimonies of the Survivors"

Tuesday, June 2nd at 5:30 p.m.

Jack Montgomery tells the stories of Holocaust survivors in Maine through portraits and firsthand narratives in his 2026 book published by the Holocaust and Human Rights Center of Maine. Learn about the lives of the survivors who rebuilt their lives in Maine, from their own perspective.

The book talk will be followed by a Q&A session and book signing/sales.

Sweet Stuff:

New England's Confectionery History

Presented by Susan Bregman

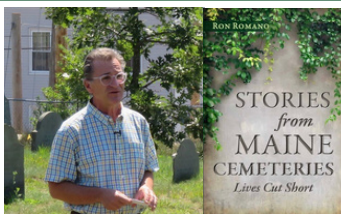
Monday, June 15th at 6 p.m.

Author Susan Mara Bregman will share stories from her latest book, "New England Sweets: Doughnuts, Bonbons, and Whoopie Pies," about this sugary legacy.



Meet the Author: Ron Romano

"Stories from Maine
Cemeteries: Lives Cut Short"



Join Ron Romano for a talk on his most recent book which will be released June 9th by The History Press.

Romano uncovers how mysterious symbols, epitaphs, monument forms, and cemetery landscapes tell the stories of those whose lives were cut short.

Thursday, June 18th at 6 p.m.

The book talk will be followed by a Q&A session and book signing/sales.

Basic Internet Safety Class

Staying safe online is essential in today's world. This one-hour overview class teaches you how to keep your information and your devices safe.

Wednesday, June 10th at 10 a.m.
Board Room

This program is free but space is limited.
Registration is required.



Genre Book Club

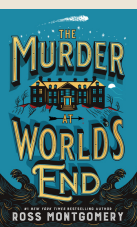
This month's genre: **Historical Fiction**

The Lilac People by Milo Todd

Wednesday, June 24th at 6:30 p.m.

Have you been interested in different book genres, but don't know where to start? We've got you covered with our monthly adult genre book club!

Each month, we will explore a different genre – science fiction, romance, horror, mystery, fantasy, etc. – by reading a recent standout example of the genre and discussing the title specifically and the genre generally.



The Murder at World's End

by Ross Montgomery
Wed., June 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Run for the Hills

by Kevin Wilson
Wed., July 8th at 6:30 p.m.



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