



LITHGOW PUBLIC LIBRARY

Inspire Your Imagination, Widen Your World

Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

November 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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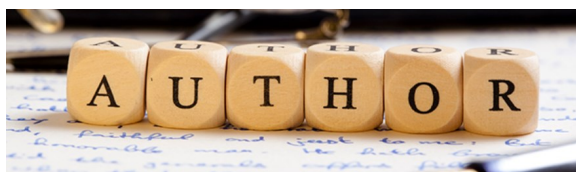
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Library CLOSURES in November:

Tuesday, November 11th: Closed for Veterans' Day.

Wednesday, November 26th: Close at 5 p.m.

Thursday, November 27th: Closed for Thanksgiving.



Local Authors - Sign Up Now!

Lithgow Library is planning an event to celebrate local authors, and we need you! Writers who would be interested in sharing their work at a Local Authors Fair this spring are encouraged to join our database.

Scan this QR code to fill out our interest form.



Classic Film Showings for Older Adults



Join us for "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid!"

Tuesday,
November 4th
at 10 a.m.



First Friday Free Coffee and Introducing our Little Free Pantry

We will be offering free coffee on the first Friday of the month, running from November through April. Come in for the warmth, browse with your covered beverage, and check out our new Little Free Pantry. The Pantry is a partnership between the Healthy Communities of the Capital Area's now defunded SNAP-Ed program, and the Library.

The Pantry is conveniently located in our lobby, and open to anyone, no questions asked. The goal is to provide access to non-perishable foods for neighbors facing food insecurity. We will happily take ongoing donations of unexpired canned goods, pantry items and snacks. Consider this program as take what you need and give what you can.

Items may be dropped off at the main desk during our business hours. **Thank you!**



Did you hear? The Friends of Lithgow Library are fundraising for a mobile book library.

The bookmobile will reach all corners of the city, providing materials for underserved residents whose lack of transportation and technology bar them from receiving services that other residents currently have. The bookmobile will extend our reach, bridge the divide, and make the Lithgow Library a more inclusive asset to the community. A little over \$10,000 has been raised so far. If you wish to support this project, you may donate at the Circulation desk, or use the QR code on the poster in the lobby to donate.



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MAINE TRUST
—for Local News—

Issues & Conversations

What's the state of local news in Maine today?

Hear from Maine Public and Maine Trust for Local News leaders about the state of media in Maine and newsroom best practices.

Thursday, November 6th at 4 p.m.



Teen Writing

Workshop

In celebration of National Novel Writing Month, we're offering teen writing workshops in the teen room on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. during the month of November!

Come visit us for some writing prompts, genre focused tips and tricks, and writing games to help get that inspiration flowing.

November 12th, 19th, & 26th at 6 p.m.

No registration required. Teens ages 13-18 only.

Maine Public Presents: Daniel Tiger Grrific Literacy Tour



Saturday, November 8th at 10:30 a.m.

Daniel Tiger is so excited for his third Grrific Literacy Tour across Maine! This November, join Daniel as he visits Lithgow Library. Daniel is ready to read in Augusta with one of his favorite Maine children's authors, Karen Toothaker. Join us for stories, activities, and a visit from everyone's favorite tiger. It's sure to be a Grrreat time!

Registration is required and is being coordinated through Maine Public.

Please go to the library's website calendar to register.

Lithgow Book Club

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



The History of Sound: Stories by Ben Shattuck

Wednesday, November 12th
6:30 p.m.



Food for Thought

A monthly group to 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, November 5th at 6 p.m.

Ancestry In Depth: Using Ancestry Effectively



Presented by B. J. Jamieson

Saturday, November 15th at 9:30 a.m.

Ancestry is an excellent resource for family history, but it can be daunting to learn how to make the most of it and its many features. Join B.J. Jamieson as she explains how to navigate and use Ancestry.com. This workshop is focused on Ancestry but most of the techniques covered also work at the other big genealogy websites: FamilySearch, MyHeritage, FindMyPast.



Acoustic Musician Mixer

No registration required.



Do you play an acoustic instrument – that is, an instrument that doesn't require electric amplification – and want to meet with other players in the community? In this Acoustic Musician Mixer program, we plan to discuss all things music: open mics and jams, rehearsing and rehearsal spaces, recording, songwriting, gigging, instrument maintenance, simple troubleshooting and repair resources, etc.

Attendees are encouraged to bring an instrument (or three!) if you like, but it is not a requirement.

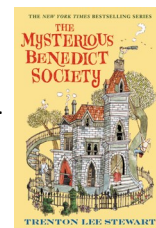
**Every other month, 2nd Thursday, 6 -7:30 p.m.
Starting November 13th**

Tween Book Group

Kids ages 10-12 are invited to join us for a book discussion and hangout each month.

Pizza will be provided! This month, we'll be reading *The Mysterious Benedict Society* by Trenton Lee Stewart. Registration is required - please register by stopping by the Children's Room or calling us at 626-2415.

Tuesday, November 18th at 6 p.m.



Listening Poetry:

an Interactive Writing Workshop
with Julia McDonald

Tuesday, November 18th at 5:30 p.m.



Brave sharing and deep listening creates connection in this increasingly divided world. When a custom poem is written for the storyteller, magic ensues. Grab your pen (or computer) and join Listener Poet Julia McDonald in an interactive evening workshop to practice intentional listening and custom poem-writing.

No restrictions/open to all.

Bring pen/pencil and notebook, or laptop/tablet.

Tween Scene:

Comic Mime & Improv Workshop

Wednesday, November 19th at 6 p.m.

For tweens ages 8 to 12.

Robert Rivest



Join us for a very special virtual live stream program presented by master mime artist and comic actor, Robert Rivest! Get in on the fun as we explore character, comedy, and expression in this fascinating interactive program.

Call 207-626-2415, email Kathy at lithgowtweens@gmail.com,
or stop in the Children's Room to reserve a spot.



NEW! Genre Book Club
This month's genre: Domestic Drama
Wed., November 19th at 6:30 p.m.

The Dutch House by Ann Patchett

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



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The Maine Armed Forces Museum and the Maine Military Historical Society *Presented by Peter Ogden, Director* **Thursday, November 20th at 5:30 p.m.**

The Maine Armed Forces Museum and the Maine Military Historical Society, located near the Augusta Airport and Camp



Keyes, was established in July 1984.

Join us to learn about Maine Military history and all of the fascinating exhibits and research materials at the museum.