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Lithgow Public Library

45 Winthrop Street, Augusta

November 2026 Newsletter

www.lithgowlibrary.org

Library Hours:

Monday - Wednesday:
9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
Thursday & Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday: 9 a.m. to Noon
Closed the first Saturday of the month.
(207) - 626-2415
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Library closures in November:
Wednesday, November 11:
Closed for Veterans Day.
Wednesday, November 25:
Closing at 5 p.m.
Thursday, November 26:
Closed for Thanksgiving Day.

Art in the Library

Each month, the Library will feature new art displays throughout the buidling.

November/December:

Maine Association of Art Educators

Maine Public Presents:

Daniel Tiger Grriffic Literacy Tour

Join Daniel Tiger and Karen Richards Toothaker at Lithgow Public Library for a story time and Daniel Tiger related crafts!

This event is FREE.

Registration is required and is being coordinated through Maine Public. Find the registration link on the library's website calendar or scan the QR code.

Saturday, November 21st at 10:30

PUZZLE DONATIONS WELCOME!

Lithgow Library is having a puzzle sale and is seeking donations of gently-used puzzles for all ages. They need to be in good condition with all pieces included. Please!

We will accept donations between now and the sale.

Sale date: Friday, January 29, 2027

THE PUZZLES WILL BE SOLD TO BENEFIT THE FRIENDS OF LITHGOW LIBRARY.

An Update from The Friends of Lithgow Library

by Board Chair, David Madore

Friends of Lithgow

For more than 130 years, Lithgow Library has been a cornerstone of our community, and the Friends of Lithgow Library are proud to help keep it thriving!

This past year, our fundraising efforts have focused on two important goals: supporting library programs in the face of city budget cuts and raising funds for the library's very first bookmobile. Both are about making sure everyone in our community can enjoy the resources, programs, and connections the library provides.

Our annual Book and Bake Sale was a huge success this summer, raising more than $11,000! A big thank-you to all our volunteers and shoppers, with special thanks to Rae Ann French for coordinating the book sale and Linda Dodd and Brenda Peaslee for their hard work on the bake sale. Your time and generosity make a real difference!

We're also excited about the possibility of bringing a bookmobile to Lithgow Library, expanding access to books and library services throughout our community. With the support of generous donors, grants, and foundations, we're making progress toward this goal. Keep an eye out for an upcoming matching opportunity from a very generous donor to help move this exciting project forward!

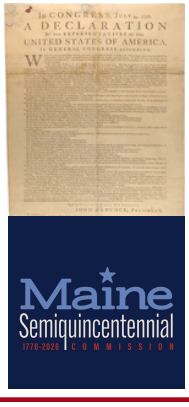
The Friends were also delighted to sponsor "A Capital Read" this year, featuring Maine author Monica Wood at the University of Maine at Augusta. Around 160 book lovers gathered for a wonderful evening of conversation, literature, and community, complete with a reception and an opportunity to purchase Wood's books.

We're grateful to everyone who supports the Friends and Lithgow Library. Whether you volunteer, attend an event, donate, or simply spread the word, you help keep our library a welcoming place for everyone. Thank you for being part of it!

What Should We Remember about the American Revolution in 2026?

Presented by Liam Riordan

What Should We Remember about the Declaration of Independence in 2026? This illustrated lecture sets the 250th commemoration of the American Revolution in both a historical and contemporary context. How was the Declaration of Independence created, and what did it mean in 1776? Equally important, what should it mean to us today? The presentation is intended to spark discussion. Please come with your questions about the Declaration, the Revolution, and what they should mean to us today.



Wednesday, November 4th at 5:30 p.m.

More Gifts from the Kitchen

Presented by Kate McCarty

Homemade gifts are a great way to show loved ones you're thinking of them this holiday season. This demonstration from UMaine Extension nutrition staff will cover cost-effective ways to make holiday gifts, food safety tips for giving food as gifts, and how to use Maine foods in preserved foods, soup, and baking mixes. Instructors will demonstrate preparing recipes and provide participant samples.

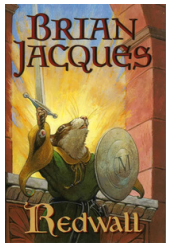
Monday, November 9th from 3 to 4 p.m.

Lindsey Wiehl's Musical Multimedia Marvel: Hits of the '70s & '80s!

Tuesday, November 10th at 5 p.m.

Tween Book Group

Kids ages 10-12 are invited to join us for a book discussion and hangout each month. Pizza will be provided! Registration is required - please register by stopping by the Children's Room or calling us at 207-626-2415. For questions, email kids@lithgowlibrary.org.
This month's title is "Redwall" by Brian Jacques.



Tuesday, November 10th at 6 p.m.

CLASSIC FILMS FOR OLDER ADULTS

"Gilda"

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH AT 10 A.M.

Keeping Your Online Accounts Safe

This one-hour class will walk you through the process of creating an online account. We will also discuss how to recover your password should you forget it, what the potential issues are for privacy and safety, and how to best navigate those issues.

Wednesday, November 18th at 10 a.m.
Registration required. Go to website calendar.

ASM's Monthly Meet-Up at the Library

Join us for a welcoming and sensory-friendly playgroup for autistic children of all ages and their caregivers. The Autism Society of Maine will have passive & planned activities for all abilities. Caregivers can participate with children or talk with other caregivers while the kids try out different activities.
No registration required - just drop in and join the fun!

Tuesday, November 10th from 3 to 4 p.m.

Genre Book Club

This month's genre: Graphic Memoir

"Feeding Ghosts"

by Tessa Hulls

Wednesday, Nov. 18th at 6:30 p.m.

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

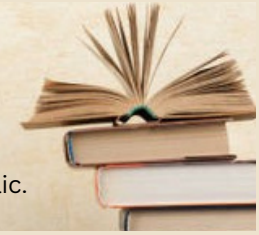
Yarn Swap

Saturday, February 27th
9 to 11:30 a.m.

Have a ton of yarn you've collected but haven't used?
Need some fresh yarn for a new project?
Lithgow Public Library is having its annual yarn swap!
Donations accepted now!
Yarn should be clean and tangle-free.

Lithgow Book Club

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

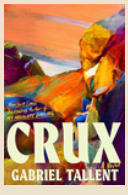


"Crux"

by Gabriel Tallent

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

There will be no Book Group in November.



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