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Programs are subject to change. Call 978-623-8430 or visit mhl.org in advance with any questions.

Lyle Brewer: The Music of J.S. Bach Sunday, November 5 at 2:30pm

Expert guitarist, [Lyle Brewer](http://mhl.org/calendar) returns to his hometown to share selections from his new crowdfunded CD, along with original tunes. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.



Rasa Vitkauskaite Piano Recital Sunday, November 12 at 2:30pm

Enjoy a program of works by Bach, Ravel and others with prize-winning pianist, [Rasa Vitkauskaite](http://mhl.org/calendar). A native of Lithuania, Rasa plays with the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra. An avid soloist and chamber musician, her recordings have garnered numerous awards and kudos worldwide. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Friends of MHL.

Friends' Holiday Book Sale

Friday, December 1 from 4:00-6:00pm (Holiday Happenings)

Saturday, December 2 from 9:00am-3:00pm

We've added two hours on Friday to our annual holiday book sale. Shop for gift quality fiction, nonfiction, children's and oversized books, seasonal favorites and a selection of specially priced vintage books. All proceeds benefit the library.



Silhouette Portraits by Jean Comerford

Saturday, December 2 from 9:00am-4:00pm

Hand cut silhouettes make great holiday gifts. Call 978-623-8451 or email straina@mhl.org. A \$35 deposit, payable to Friends of MHL is required to confirm the appointment. Prices are \$35 per silhouette, \$15 per copy, and \$35 to \$45 per frame. A Friends of MHL fundraiser.

Learn Salsa!

Tuesday, November 28 at 7:00pm in Memorial Hall

Learn salsa dancing with the directors of [Dance Fever Studios](http://mhl.org/calendar), Emil and Ruta Ioukhnikov. Their demonstration will be followed by instruction. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Dance Fever specializes in Ballroom and Latin dancing for kids and adults. Dancing is a great way to stay in shape while having fun!



November/December Adult Programs



Beyond Kilts & Lederhosen: Is DNA Testing Right for You? **Monday, November 13 at 7:00pm**

DNA testing for ancestry has exploded in popularity due to aggressive marketing campaigns and lower prices. Jennifer Stone Randolph, owner of New Hampshire-based, Touchstone Genealogy, will explore the kinds of questions testing can and cannot answer, and advise how to choose the best test and the best provider for your particular goals. Privacy, accuracy, the potential for discovery of unexpected results, and the importance of being an informed consumer will be discussed. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by Friends of MHL.

Trace Your Scottish Ancestors **Wednesday, December 6 at 7:00pm**

Former Andover resident, David Dearborn, will share the basic steps in undertaking Scottish genealogy, what genealogical records exist and how to access them, as well as Andover's role in Scottish emigration. Scotland's population is smaller than Massachusetts, but it has produced millions of emigrants who have settled in all parts of the world. Scottish genealogical records are among the most complete and comprehensive of any European country, and anyone with ancestors who arrived in the 1850s or later is almost certain to have success in tracing them back to their parish of origin. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



Discover Your Past Genealogy Club **Thursdays, Nov. 9 & Dec. 14, 10:00-11:00am**



Shawsheen River Restoration **Tuesday, November 14, 7:00pm**

Environmental scientist, Dr. Jon Honea, will discuss his research on migratory fish populations, and the Shawsheen River dam removal project. He'll also share information about the volunteer effort to count the herring. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Sponsored by the Village Garden Club of Andover and Memorial Hall Library.

Death Cafe

Wednesday, November 8 at 6:30pm

Join other adults for another evening of open, lively, and insightful discussion about death. While not a support group nor a venue for bereavement, a Death Cafe seeks to provide an unscripted, non-judgmental platform for those wishing to explore the many facets of this often taboo subject. Facilitated by Andover resident, Richard Davis. Refreshments and socializing at 6:30pm. Program begins promptly at 7:00pm. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



Pub Trivia At Andolini's

Tuesday, December 5 at 7:00pm

Test your knowledge and you could win \$50!



Unburying Malcolm Miller Screening & Discussion

Wednesday, November 15 at 6:30pm

Filmmaker and poet, Kevin Carey, will be screening his film about a fascinating, talented, and nearly indigent Salem, MA poet, whose poetry is being resurrected and curated by Rod Kessler, a Salem State University Professor Emeritus, who befriended Miller in the last years of his life. The film premiered in the spring at the Mass Poetry Festival to rave reviews. Kevin Carey and Rod Kessler will join Andover's Poet Laureate, Linda Flaherty Haltmaier, for a discussion about Miller's life and poetry following the screening. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.



Meet Your Transgender Neighbors

Thursday, November 2 at 7:00pm

This educational panel discussion will highlight the stories of four of our transgender neighbors, as they discuss the challenges and joys of living authentically. Michelle Jane Tat will serve as moderator. A queer transgender activist and data scientist for the City of Boston, she has dedicated her activism to improve the lives of other transgender individuals across the state. There will be plenty of time for questions. All are welcome. A collaboration of LGBTQ+ Welcoming Communities of Faith, and Memorial Hall Library.



New Online Resources & Services @ MHL



FOUNDATION CENTER

Knowledge to build on.

Looking for Grant Money?

Memorial Hall Library has purchased subscriptions to three online databases from the Foundation Center, for organizations and individuals seeking funding for projects and other activities. All three are available for free to all library visitors.

Foundation Directory Online Professional

Foundation Directory Online Professional helps grant seekers find the right match for their organization's mission. Get access to more than 140,000 expanded profiles on foundations and corporate donors, information on more than 7 million grants, and more than half a million key decision makers and leaders. 990 and 990-PF forms are keyword searchable.

Foundation Grants to Individuals Online

Find information about 10,000 foundation profiles at your fingertips, including foundation and public charity programs that have funded individual grant seekers for everything from scholarship opportunities to research needs. Updated weekly.

Foundation Maps Professional

Foundation Maps Professional is the easiest way to see who is funding what and where around the world. With millions of grants from 2006 to the present, innovative ways to visualize funding data, and the flexibility and precision to tailor research, Foundation Maps Professional helps funders and nonprofits access the knowledge they need to make strategic decisions and strengthen their impact.

Free Articles & Databases at Memorial Hall Library

The library provides access to quality databases that contain articles and information not readily available on the 'free' internet. Links to these can be found at <https://mhl.org/databases>. If you have any questions, feel free to stop by the Reference Desk, call 978-623-8430 or email rdesk@mhl.org.

Tutor.com

Tutor.com is a service that connects students of all levels with real tutors in math, science, social studies, and English. Services include:

- Online sessions with expert tutors every day from 3:00pm to 10:00pm
- Practice quizzes and tests
- SAT & ACT Princeton Review practice exams
- 24/7 essay and math drop-off with detailed feedback within 24 hours
- Help with resumes and cover letters
- GED test prep
- Citizenship test prep

Tutor.com can be accessed for free at the library and at home by anyone with a Memorial Hall Library card. Visit <https://mhl.org/tutor-service>.



Introducing Kanopy

MHL cardholders can now watch over 26,000 films for free on Kanopy! Watch must-see classic films from The Criterion Collection, learn about every subject imaginable from The Great Courses and PBS, or indulge in festival indie or world cinema sourced from award-winning filmmakers globally. Kanopy can be found on our Download Movies & Music page or at <https://mhl.kanopystreaming.com/>. You'll need to create a Kanopy account and associate it with your MHL library card number (the number on the back of your card). Then you can stream videos through Kanopy's website, or through Kanopy's apps for Roku, iOS, & Android. Once you have an account, you can stream 10 titles per month. After you've checked out a title to stream, you can watch it as many times as you like over the next 48 hours.



Nov/Dec 2017 Adult Programs & Groups



How to Pay for College

Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00pm

With education costs rising year after year, paying for college is a concern for most families. Jim Femia, Certified College Planning Specialist (CCFS) and member of the National Institute of Certified College Planners (NICCP), will cover how families of all income levels may be eligible for financial aid, which colleges offer the best financial aid packages, how to avoid costly mistakes on the FAFSA and CSS Profile, how private universities can cost you less than a state school, and how students can receive more free money and less loans. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. Jim Femia, AAMS, CRPC, CCFS, is a Senior Financial Advisor at Apella Capital, LLC. Apella Capital, LLC ("Apella"), is an investment advisory firm registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission.



The Mother Connection Preschool Fair

Thursday, November 9 from 5:30 to 7:30pm

Parents can learn about and meet area preschool representatives at the 20th annual fair. Door prizes! A collaboration of The Mother Connection and MHL.

A Jazzy Celebration Family Concert

Saturday, December 9 at 2:00pm

Celebrate the season with Merrimack Valley Community Music School faculty. They'll perform old and new favorites, with plenty of opportunities to sing along. All ages welcome. Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. This program is supported in part by a grant from the Andover Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



MHL Movies in Activity Room

Thursday, November 16 at 7:00pm

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks
Can't make it? Come to the second showing at the Center at Pynchard on Monday, November 20 at 1:00pm.



Thursday, December 7 at 6:30pm

La La Land
Can't make it? Come to the second showing at the Center at Pynchard on Monday, December 11 at 1:00pm.



With the holiday season comes new gadgets and computers. Up your security and privacy game with these short tech safety classes. Each session will cover one important piece of staying secure and safe in an online world.

Tuesdays from 10:00-10:30am

In Friends Alcove 2 on Level G

November 7 - Installing Antivirus Software

November 14 - Keeping Passwords Secure

November 21 - Privacy & WIFI Networks

Space is limited. Register at <https://mhl.org/calendar>.

MVMTA Piano Showcase

Sunday, December 3 at 2:00pm

Enjoy an afternoon of piano music performed by piano students of the Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association. Register at <https://mhl.org/ZkG>.



Meditation with Amy

Thursday, November 30 at 7:00pm

Staff member, Amy Martin, will lead a class in several types of meditation. Wear comfortable clothing and get ready to relax! Sign up at <https://mhl.org/calendar>. In Memorial Hall.



Conversational English Group

—Mondays from 10am-noon

November 6, 13 & 27 & December 4

To register, contact Carolyn Fantini at 978-475-4602.

Board Game Nights @MHL

Mondays from 5:30-8:45pm in Activity Room

November 13 & December 11

Drop-in Adult Coloring at Circulation Area

Tuesdays, November 14 & December 12, 5:30-8:30pm

Career Networking Group

Thursdays from 10-11:30am in Friends Alcove 1

November 9 & 30 & December 14

