



What's Happening at Storrs Library June 1 to June 6, 2020

Library Services Updates

**LIBRARY
CLOSED**

Until further notice.

*We are closed to the public in order to help
slow the potential spread of COVID-19.
Thank you for your understanding.*

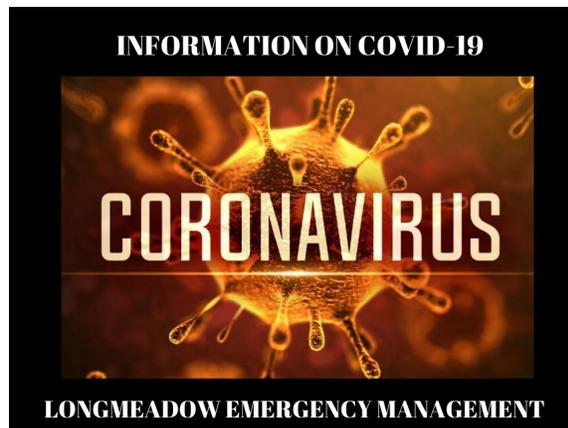


In response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), while using an abundance of caution and taking our cue from CDC and other health professionals, the Town of Longmeadow and the Richard Salter Storrs Board of Trustees has decided to temporarily close the Library building.

Storrs Library is closed to the public. Library staff are available for remote assistance between the hours of 9 to 5, Monday to Friday by email at richard.salterstorrs@gmail.com or voicemail from our main number 413-565-4181 (press 1). If you leave a voicemail, please include the best telephone number to reach you.

Curious about what is going on with your books that were on hold before our unexpected closure? [Visit our website for up-to-date details](#). Reopening information will be provided when possible.

Stay up-to-date and informed about COVID-19 by using the [resources available to you on our website](#).





Absentee and Vote by Mail Information from the Town of Longmeadow

We are sharing the following statement on behalf of the [Town of Longmeadow](#):

The Town of Longmeadow is concerned about protecting your right to vote in a safe manner. We are planning to open the polls with protective measures in place. The polls will be open for the Local Election on June 16th, September 1st for the State Primary, and November 3rd for the General Election. You may also request an absentee ballot.

Please find a link to the Absentee Ballot on the Secretary of the Commonwealth's website:

<https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleabsentee/absidx.htm>

Please note that you are eligible to vote absentee due to the COVID-19 crisis. You also have the option to request an absentee ballot for all three elections on the same application. The ballots will be mailed to you before each election.

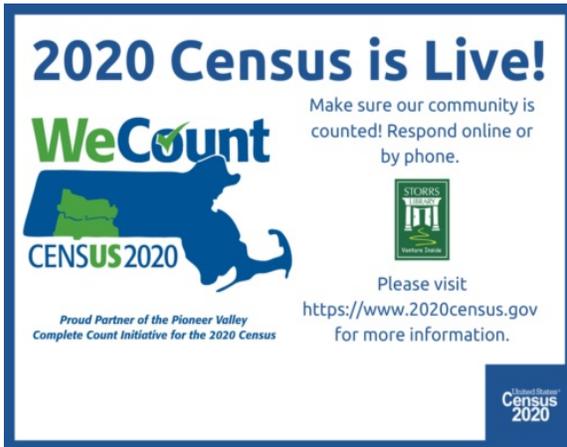
- PLEASE MAKE YOUR REQUEST FOR BALLOTS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE;
- Do not wait;

- One application is needed for each voter.

You can scan and email the completed and signed application to kingram@longmeadow.org. You can mail to Town Clerk, 20 Williams Street, Longmeadow, MA 01106 or drop off in the mail slot at Town Hall.

Questions? We recommend reviewing the Town of Longmeadow's [May 4th Press Release Vote by Mail for June 16th Election](#) for more information.

The 2020 Census is Live!



2020 Census is Live!
WeCount
CENSUS2020
Proud Partner of the Pioneer Valley Complete Count Initiative for the 2020 Census

Make sure our community is counted! Respond online or by phone.



Please visit <https://www.2020census.gov> for more information.

United States
Census
2020

Every ten years, the US Census Bureau counts every person living in the United States and its five territories. [Click here](#) for information about how and why to participate in the 2020 Census.



Contact us!

We are available for
Tech Support,
Research Assistance,
Customer Service
and more!

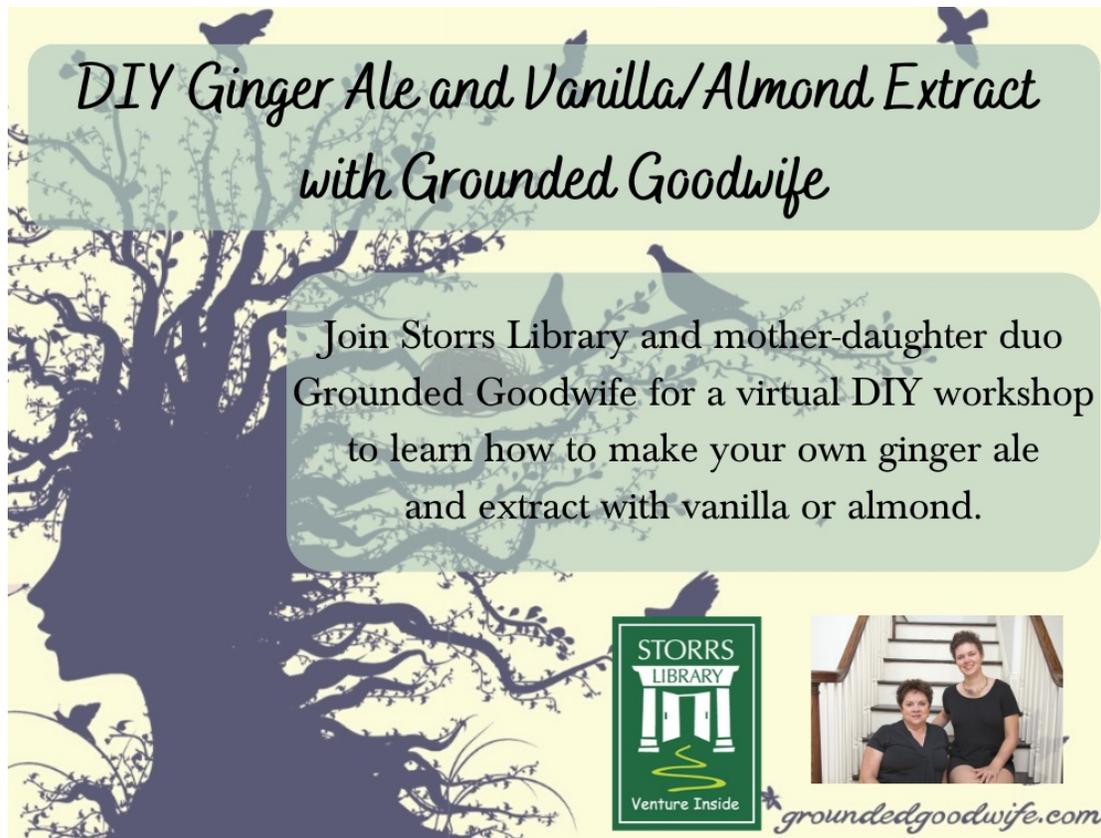
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We are here for you! Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, Storrs

Library staff has been working remotely. Library staff is continuing to return voicemails and emails throughout the week, Monday to Friday from 9 to 5.

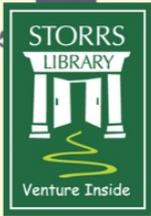
To learn more about how to contact us, [please visit our website](#). We thank you for your patience as staff is limited and replies are delayed.

Programs & Activities on the Internet



*DIY Ginger Ale and Vanilla/Almond Extract
with Grounded Goodwife*

Join Storrs Library and mother-daughter duo Grounded Goodwife for a virtual DIY workshop to learn how to make your own ginger ale and extract with vanilla or almond.



groundedgoodwife.com

DIY Ginger Ale & Vanilla/Almond Extract with Grounded Goodwife Monday, June 1 from 2:00 to 3:30

Join Storrs Library for a virtual hands-on workshop from the mother-daughter duo Grounded Goodwife! They'll be demonstrating how to make your own ginger ale and vanilla and almond extracts using simple ingredients at home. Want to cook along with them? You'll get the ingredient lists for both recipes when you register! The full list will appear in a box at the bottom of your confirmation screen.

We will use the [Jitsi Meet](#) platform for our group time. You will need a computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

New to videoconferencing and web chats? Download our [Video Conferencing Privacy Tips handout](#) for steps that you can take to safeguard your privacy online.

New to Jitsi Meet? Download our [Jitsi Meet Cheat Sheet](#) which can help you get started.

[Register in Advance](#). Shortly before the meeting, we will email you a link to the meeting. When you click on the link it will bring you directly to the meeting.

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GOOD DAY!

Drop In with the Director
for a check in & chat

Tuesdays,
12:30 - 2:00 PM

We miss seeing you and expect you might be missing seeing each other, too!

We invite you to (virtually) pop in and say "Hi," on Tuesdays for a weekly "Check In and Chat" with our Library Director! Drop in to catch up, share how you're doing, talk about our ideas, and reconnect

Register on longmeadowlibrary.org with your email to receive a link to join!

Drop In with the Director for a check in & chat

Hello Storrs Community!

We miss seeing you and expect you might be missing seeing each other, too. If you'd like to (virtually) check in and chat

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**THE ROLE OF WOMEN
IN THE IRISH WAR OF INDEPENDENCE**

Presented by Sean Murphy
Monday, June 8th at 2:00 PM

bean-na-h-Eireann
(THE WOMAN OF IRELAND)

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SAVE THE DATE:

Monday, June 8 from 2:00 to 3:30
The Role of Women in the Irish War of

Independence

The proclamation of an independent Irish Republic at Easter 1916 opened with the statement "IRISHMEN AND IRISHWOMEN" and goes on to state "The Republic guarantees religious and civil liberty, equal rights and equal opportunities to all its citizens.. cherishing all the children of the nation equally." The first Irish constitution in 1922 guaranteed equal suffrage to women. These were remarkably progressive positions at the start of the 20th century and even more remarkable given the conservative nature of Irish society with a Catholic ethos.

The role women played during the revolutionary period (1913-1923) was central to the process of liberation. This enabled them to gain political power and prestige. Their actions gave them an undeniable and legitimate role in determining the future of Ireland. They were not playing a supportive role to the military men. Some of them fought. More of them did the dangerous work that only women could have done. Even more played their role by ensuring that the British war effort did not reduce Ireland to a chaotic and dispirited nation.

This presentation will introduce you to some of the bravest and most determined women the world has known.

We will be using Zoom for this presentation. You will need a computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

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**Virtual
Cookbook Club**
Monday, June 15
12:00 to 1:00
Smitten Kitchen

SAVE THE DATE:
Monday, June 15 from 12:00 to 1:00
**Virtual Cookbook Club: Smitten
Kitchen**

Love to cook? Join us for Virtual Cookbook Club! We will be sharing our experiences cooking recipes from [Smitten Kitchen](#) website. Novice books are welcome! You are welcome to list a recipe when registering, but there is no need to do so as with our previous Cookbook Club meetings.

We will be using Zoom for this presentation. You will need a computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

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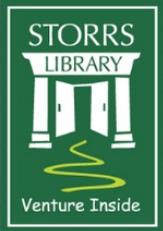
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*New England Legends
with Jeff Belanger*

Join us for a virtual tour through the history, haunts, oddities, paranormal, and just plain weird side of our region.

*Thursday, June 18th
2:00 pm on Zoom*

SAVE THE DATE:
Thursday, June 18 from 2:00 to 3:30
**New England Legends with Jeff
Belanger**

Join Storrs Library for a virtual presentation from Jeff Belanger, one of New England's premiere storytellers! He seeks out history, folklore, ghosts, monsters, and legends all over the world and in your backyard. New England Legends offers a journey through the history, haunts, oddities, paranormal, and just plain weird side of our region. For over 20 years, Jeff has been exploring the unexplained. Based on his popular weekly podcast and his Emmy-nominated television series on PBS and Amazon Prime, the program presents highlights from Jeff's own adventures and work. The bizarre is closer than you think!

We will be using Zoom for this presentation. You will need a

computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

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Storrs Share Therapy Quilt Project

We miss our community and all of our library patrons! In this strange time of separateness, let's create a virtual spot where we can mingle and share. Spring is popping all around us, and many other good things are happening.



Help us transform our Instagram account into a virtual patchwork quilt full of good, beautiful, and happy sights during this time.

Want to participate? To be included on our Instagram account:

- Snap a photo and email it to richard.salterstorrs@gmail.com to be included on our Instagram.
- In the email, please use "Storrs Share Therapy Quilt Project" in the Subject line
- Contribute as often as you like and watch our quilt grow.

We encourage posts that range across a variety of topics or themes. Some ideas we have for this project include: photos of nature as it unfolds, favorite places, things that make you

happy (a big batch of cookies, sidewalk art, your reading spot), something you've found inspiring or uplifting, drawings, something you're creating, quotes or messages that would fit in an Instagram photo.

Out of respect for individual privacy, we ask that submissions not include identifiable photos of people.

If you don't have the capability to email a photo, you can email a short message or some words of wisdom and we will "sew it into the quilt" for you.



Libraries across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have been moving their programs online!

In addition to the offerings from Storrs Library, there are so many amazing programs to choose from across the Commonwealth! [Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners \(MBLC\)](#) has created eight calendars spanning Massachusetts capturing all of these virtual programs which includes Storrs Library and beyond! The best part? You do not need to be nearby to join any of these programs, so feel free to explore

them all. Check out the following link to explore [MBLC's Online Library Events Calendar](#).

Please be aware that each library operates a little differently. Program registration and attendance rules are subject to the practices and policies of the hosting library. Enjoy!

Youth Programs & Activities on the Internet



MUSH!
VIRTUAL CHAT
WITH
NOGGIN, THE SLED DOG
& HER HUMAN, KAREN LAND

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2020
3:30 PM

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
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MUSH!: Virtual Chat with Noggin the Sled Dog & Her Human, Karen Land Friday, June 5 from 3:30 to 4:30

Karen Land is a writer, professional public speaker, and three-time participant in the Iditarod as well as many other endurance dog sled races in Montana, Maine, Idaho, Wyoming, Canada, and Alaska. This program is geared toward children, but all are welcome to join in this virtual chat to learn about her experiences with dog mushing.

The sport of dog mushing is a dance across some of the most remote wilderness on Earth. Completing the Iditarod is among the most difficult feats in all of sports. More people have reached the summit of Mount Everest than have made it to the Iditarod finish line behind a team of dogs.

We will be using Zoom for this presentation. You will need a computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

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CLIMATE CHANGE IN MA

**MASS AUDUBON'S
BROADMOOR WILDLIFE SANCTUARY**

**ZOOM MEETING FOR TEENS 13+
JUNE 19 FROM 3:30-4:30**

SPONSORED BY THE FRIENDS OF STORRS LIBRARY

SAVE THE DATE:
Friday, June 19 from 3:30 to 4:30

Climate Change in Massachusetts

Massachusetts has changed much in the last 400 years: from forest to farm to town and now, in many places to suburbs. More recently, we are seeing rapid changes going on around us. From weather extremes like warmer winters and colder, wetter springs to spells of drought and extensive heat, torrential downpours and tornado warnings. How are these and other changes affecting our area wildlife and us? Teens ages 13 and older are invited to Join our Zoom meeting to find out more and discuss what each of us can do to make a difference.

Joy Marzolf has been a Naturalist and Educator for over 16 years, the last 13 with Mass Audubon. She teaches classes for adults and families including a wide variety of programs on wildlife including wildlife behavior and photography. For more information, please visit www.massaudubon.org.

We will be using Zoom for this presentation. You will need a computer, smartphone, iPad, or similar device that has a camera and audio ability.

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Try our LEGO Challenge & Build a Vehicle!

Storrs Library invites you to participate in our virtual LEGO challenge.



This is a children's activity, and families are encouraged to build together. Please email your pictures to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com.

Pictures can include the progression of your build or the finished structure. Please remember to have fun AND to protect the privacy of your child(ren) and your family. Submissions with identifying features or backgrounds will not be shared. Pictures will be compiled and shared via the Storrs Library Facebook page.

Storrs Library is the perfect virtual space for your LEGO displays! Have questions? Contact us at 413-565-4182 or email rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com. Pictures will be added throughout the week.



Virtual Art Drawing with Michael Cady (Week 2)

This video will be available Wednesday June 3 - June 9

Michael Cady will present a fun and informative Virtual Cartoon Class where you will explore different techniques and tips of cartooning. Videos from the studio will provide instruction on drawing different characters, how to add words to cartoons, and what elements make our cartoons really stand out.

The goal of this series is to 'jump start' your imagination as well as give instruction and insight to the young cartoonist! If you love to draw, or just want to doodle, there will be something here for everyone! Grab a pencil or pen, sit down and strap in- we are going to have some fun!

This program is sponsored by The MOMS Club of Longmeadow. There are 12 Virtual Art with Michael CADY videos scheduled for release weekly through August 12!

[Registration](#) will begin on Wednesday June 3 at 9:00 AM

Check out our Virtual Story Times: New stories are being offered regularly!



Storrs Library welcomes you to Virtual Storytime with Miss Gina and Miss Christine. From classic tales to new releases, there is a story for everyone to enjoy! Check our [Calendar of Events](#) often as more stories will be added.



With publisher permission, these stories are available from now until June 30, 2020. Please register for each storytime session to receive a link to an unlisted YouTube video.

A large blue graphic with white clouds and stars. At the top, it says "Calling all Teens!" in a white, hand-drawn font. Below that, it asks "Can you help the Library this summer?". In the center is a large green box with the text "SIGN UP TO BE A Virtual Volunteer". Three arrows point from this box to three smaller green boxes below, each containing a task: "Write book, movie and/or music reviews to post on our Social Media", "Take Bookstagram and/or Book Face photos to post on our Social Media", and "Write letters of thanks & encouragement to local nursing facilities and/or health care workers". A small Storrs Library logo is in the bottom right corner.

Calling All Virtual Volunteers!

Summer 2020 Edition

Sign up to be a Virtual Volunteer this summer! We are asking teens entering grades 7 & up to help the Library with a variety of Virtual tasks by signing up to be a Virtual Volunteer.

If you are interested in Volunteering this summer, please send an email to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com telling us your name, the grade you are entering in the fall and a phone number where we can contact you.



TODAY'S CHALLENGE

- Pick out a recipe that features raspberries as an ingredient.
- Make the recipe.
- Take a picture of your completed meal.
- Submit picture to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com.



RECIPE RESOURCES

Feel free to use a recipe from a personal cookbook, a favourite online resource or check out one of the sites below:

- Jamie Oliver
- Nigella Lawson
- Bobby Flay
- Barefoot Contessa



Teen Cooking Challenge!

Every week through August 13, Storrs Library is challenging you to use a combination of creativity and science to create a dish that either features or makes use of the

ingredient of the week.

Once the dish has been created and plated to satisfaction, please take a picture and email it to rssdiscoveryroom@gmail.com. Pictures will be compiled and shared via the Storrs Library Facebook page! Challenges will remain active for 1 week. Remember to have fun and protect your privacy.

Below are some links for your reference & inspiration:

- [*Epicurious*](#)
- [*Alton Brown's Good Eats: the Return*](#)
- [*Cooks vs. Cons*](#)
- [*American Diner Revival*](#)
- [*Worst Cooks in America*](#)

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HARMONY AT HOME WITH RENEE CORO



Session 1
Friday, June 12, 2020
Virtual Music Program
Register at www.longmeadowlibrary.org



SAVE THE DATE! Harmony at Home with Renee Coro Friday, June 12 beginning at 9:00

Join Miss Renee from Harmonious Happenings for virtual music and movement session streamed into your living room! Come sing and dance to your favorite songs as we play together fostering your child's development and emotional needs during this time at home.

Session 2 will be available July 10 and Session 3 will be available on August 21. Please register to receive the link to the Richard Salter Storrs Library YouTube Channel recording.

This program is sponsored by The MOMS Club of Longmeadow.

[Registration](#) for Session 1 will begin on Friday, June 12, 2020 at 9:00 AM.

Electronic Resources

No Library Card? No Problem.

If you don't have a library card, you can still access materials through our online catalog by signing up for an Instant Digital Card. All you need is your phone number!



In response to the ongoing pandemic, library patrons who do not have a library card number are now able to borrow materials from our Digital Collections. Get your Instant Digital Card today, for free - all you need is a mobile phone number.

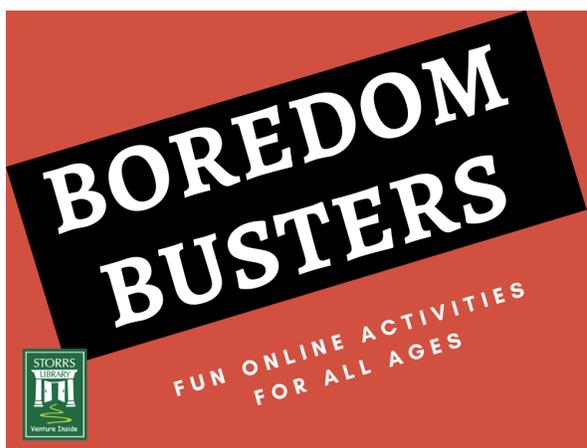
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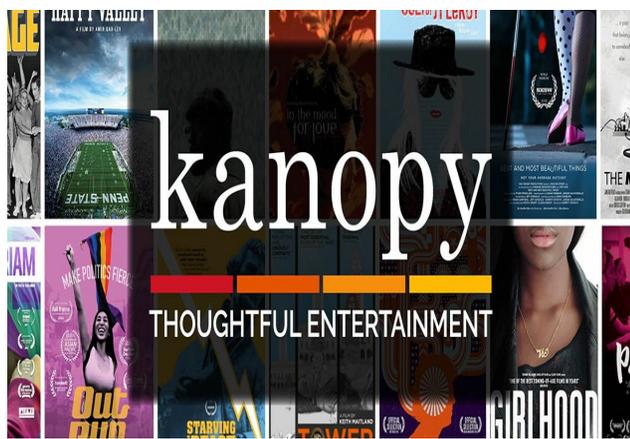
Don't forget about our online resources!

Get eBooks and eAudiobooks through Overdrive or Libby, and check out our eResources page for even more online resources you have access to as a library member!



Check out this [list of fun online activities](#) we've assembled for you! Games and books and virtual tours... There's a little something for everyone -- kids, teens, and adults!

[Kanopy](#) is a dedicated video streaming service featuring over 30,000 films including independent and world cinema, documentaries, instructional films, T.V. series and many other genres.



The [Kanopy Kids collection](#) includes movies, T.V. series, animated stories and story time, language learning and educational films. There is something for everyone in Kanopy!

The videos can be viewed on a range of devices by downloading the appropriate app. There is a limit of 12 downloads per month, but some collections have credit-free viewing.



[Hoopla](#) is a dedicated video streaming service featuring movies, tv shows, music, eBooks, and comics for online streaming or download to mobile devices or your TV -- The best part? No waiting

lists!

Borrow up to 10 items per calendar month and select titles may qualify for credit-free viewing.

[RBdigital Magazines](#) offers full-color digital magazines for any time, anywhere reading on desktops, mobile devices, and apps. Download digital magazines to your mobile device for offline reading.

Our library's collection includes both new and back-list titles with no



holds, no checkout periods, and no limits.



All Massachusetts residents are eligible for a [Boston Public Library eCard](#)! Your eCard gives you access to databases, electronic resources and a variety of materials that are available from the Boston Public Library.

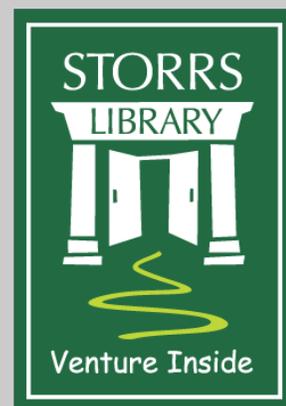
BPL eCard applicants must meet the criteria of:

- Reside permanently in Massachusetts.
- Live in-state for most of the year to attend school.
- Commute to a Massachusetts employer on a sustained and regular basis (primary place of work).
- Own property (real estate) in Massachusetts.



Richard Salter Storrs Library

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