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Library Hours

Monday–Thursday 9–8
 Friday 9–5
 Saturday 9–4

What's Happening in Adult Next Week at Storrs Library

Dates: October 22–October 28, 2023

Art Exhibit

Faith Lund

Wednesday, October 4 – Tuesday, October 31



Visit Storrs Library in the month of October to view an exhibit by Faith Lund. The artwork on display is primarily Cape Cod Estuary-inspired.

A reception will take place on October 11th from 4-6 p.m. in the Betty Ann Low Room.

Please visit anytime the room is not available.

Donation Drive

Friends of the Storrs Library Dish Donation Drop-off

Tuesday, October 24, 11:00–2:00 & 4:30–6:30



The Friends of Storrs Library is planning a very special fundraiser event for Storrs Library next spring and we need your help now to make it a success!

We need at least 130 pieces of china. The sizes we need are dinner plates, luncheon plates, dessert/bread plates, and shallow bowls.

The china can't be returned but it will become the centerpiece for this annual event for years to come. Imagine, your china loved by the entire town for decades to come.

The patterns don't have to match but we do need them to be made of china or porcelain—sorry no everyday dishes.

To make it easy for you, we are doing TWO drive-through drop offs at the library

parking lot:

Tuesday, October 24

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 16

11:00 am to 2:00 pm

4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

This event is sure to be the talk of the town next May but only with your help! Please donate your china and we promise it will be loved by the library.

All Ages Programs

Book Bike at Halloween Hustle

Saturday, October 28, 8:30-10:00



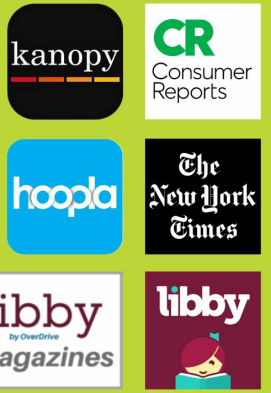
Come check out the Book Bike at Halloween Hustle at Center School on Saturday, October 29. Check out some books and learn about upcoming library programs!

Adult Programs

Tech Tuesdays

Tuesday, October 24, 9:00-12:00

TECH
Tuesdays
9-12



Need help with your device? Bring it to the Library for assistance!
Having trouble with email? Come to the Library to get help!
Want to learn about the Library's digital offerings? Drop in every Tuesday, 9-12!

Remember to bring your device, your library card and any passwords you may need to access your accounts.

Glass Vase Decorating

Tuesday, October 24, 1:30-4:00

GLASS VASE DECORATING

OCTOBER 24TH, 1:30 - 4:30 PM
IN THE BETTY ANN LOW ROOM



THIS PROGRAM IS SPONSORED
BY STED DOWD IN MEMORY
OF HIS WIFE, MARY



Join us for a creative afternoon of vase decorating. Each participant will receive one glass flower vase to decorate with a variety of materials including glass marbles, mosaic tiles, and sea glass. All materials provided.

This program is for Adults. Space is limited to 15 participants. Registration is required.

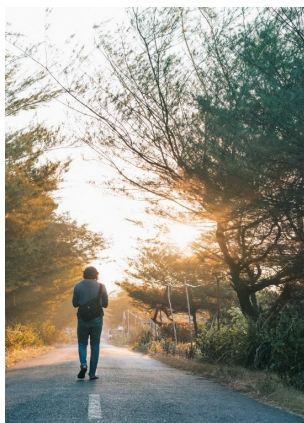
This program is sponsored by Sted Dowd in memory of his beloved wife, Mary.

Please register in advance.

[Join the Waitlist](#)

Discarding Masks (Metaphorically Speaking): The Road to Authentic Living

Tuesday, October 24, 6:00–7:30



DISCARDING MASKS
(METAPHORICALLY
SPEAKING)

THE ROAD TO AUTHENTIC LIVING

WITH CONSTANCE HALLINAN
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24TH
AT 6 PM
ON ZOOM
PLEASE REGISTER IN
ADVANCE

The
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of Storrs Library



Halloween can be a time for reflection on why so many people, ourselves included, cling to the practice of wearing masks long after Halloween has come and gone. Before the fun-filled and harmless practice of wearing Halloween masks became so popular, the mask was a symbol of deception, hypocrisy, and lies. The purpose of the mask was to hide the identity of the wearer while displaying the image of another. It negated the need for accountability for one's behavior. The mask to this day often represents what people say and do that is not true. At its core, the mask is the "poster child" for inauthenticity.

One of the core values of the quest for personal growth is discarding the need for masks, that is, acting out roles we are no longer, or never were, suited to play. Pretending takes a heavy toll physically, mentally, emotionally, and spiritually. Conversely, living life sans masks is a reward in and of itself. This webinar encourages people in their desire to shed the protection of the mask and supports them in their quest for authentic living.

This webinar is divided into two segments: lecture and question-and-answer period. The topics covered include the reasons we use masks, tools to help us discard masks, embracing vulnerability, celebrating imperfection, and enjoying the benefits of living in truth.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library.

This program will be on Zoom. Please register in advance and the link will be sent

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to you shortly before the program.

Longmeadow Public Trails Information & Feedback Session

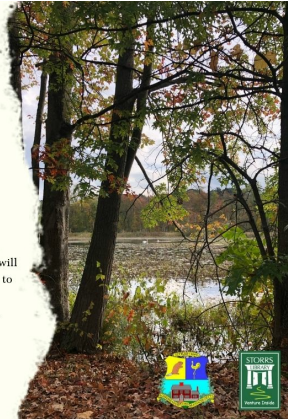
Tuesday, October 24, 6:00–7:45

LONGMEADOW PUBLIC TRAILS INFORMATION & FEEDBACK SESSION

Tuesday, October 24 at 6pm

Conservation Works will be leading a public presentation on their findings. This meeting will provide an opportunity for interested parties to learn about the results, and to provide input and feedback on evaluation of existing trails, identify potential or existing conflicts in use, and opportunities to improve conditions.

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Over this past summer, the Planning Department has been working with consultants Conservation Works to map the public trails in Laurel Park, Bliss Park, Turner Park, the Fannie Stebbins Memorial/Silvio O. Conte Wildlife Refuge, and any additional trails located around the Gasek Farm conservation area and the Connecticut River in the conserved areas west of I-91. The resulting GPS data will be converted into basic trail maps of the different properties and identify key features. Additionally, Conservation Works has been identifying existing condition and maintenance concerns on all existing trails.

On Tuesday, October 24 at 6pm, Conservation Works will be leading a public presentation on their findings. This meeting will provide an opportunity for interested parties to learn about the results, and to provide input and feedback on evaluation of existing trails, identify potential or existing conflicts in use, and opportunities to improve conditions. These recommended projects will be prioritized based on the severity of concern the problem poses.

Bocce on the Lawn

Wednesday, October 25, 11:00–12:00



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Join us for Bocce on the Lawn!
Every Wednesday morning at 11:00.
This program is for adults.
No Experience Necessary.

Register in Advance!
(Bocce will be cancelled if it rains)

Fall Candlemaking with Garine

Wednesday, October 25, 1:00–2:30

Ideal for the beginner - You'll be surprised at how much you don't know about

CANDLE MAKING WITH GARINE



OCTOBER 25TH AT 1 PM
IN THE BETTY ANN LOW ROOM

Please Register in
Advance



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candles! This workshop is an introduction to your choice of fragrance candle making. We will discuss types of candles and which waxes are best suited for which type of candle, wick sizes, heat resistant containers, and their sizes, the difference between essential oils and fragrance oils, and complete instructions on how to burn a candle. Each participant will make one container candle using soy wax and can choose from a variety of seasonally inspired fragrance oils. Once the wax has cooled undisturbed for approximately 24 hours, the participants will take their candle home and may burn it after a 2-week curing period. The approximate size is a net weight of 2.50 oz. (2.5" h x 2.5" w). The wax is hot and fragrance oils can be strongly scented.

Program starts promptly, no admission is allowed after instructions are given.

This program is sponsored by the Friends of Storrs Library

Longmeadow Gardeners Club Presentation

Wednesday, October 25, 5:00–7:00



The Longmeadow Gardeners

Planter Decorating for Fall and Winter

October 25 at 5 pm
in the Betty Ann Low Meeting Room



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Join the Longmeadow Gardeners Club for a discussion led by Jen Plasky on decorating planters for the fall and holiday season!

Jen Plasky is a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD), a Connecticut Accredited Nursery Professional (CANP), and a graduate of the University of Connecticut with a BS in Horticulture and an MA in Education. Her 25 years of experience working in florists, garden centers, and landscape companies has instilled a passion for creating stunning horticultural displays. She currently teaches horticulture at the Harris AgrScience Center in Bloomfield, CT.

Mission to Madagascar w/ David Mould

Wednesday, October 25, 6:30–7:30

MISSION TO
MADAGASCAR
AUTHOR TALK W/
DAVID MOULD

OCTOBER 25TH, 2023
AT 6:30 PM
ON ZOOM
PLEASE REGISTER IN
ADVANCE

Join us as David Mould discusses his latest book "*Mission to Madagascar: The Sergeant, the King, and the Slave Trade*".

Radama—the young, savvy, ruthless ruler of the rising military power in Madagascar, with an appetite for conquest, sex, and alcohol. Robert Townsend Farquhar—the scheming, silver-tongued governor of the British island colony of Mauritius, whose plantation economy depends on slave labor. James Hastie—an educated,

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enterprising, and courageous East India Company sergeant, ready to take on a risky mission. In the aftermath of the Napoleonic Wars, as Britain and France face off in the southwest Indian Ocean, the destinies of these three characters intertwine. Will the British cut a deal to end the export of slaves from Madagascar, and if so at what cost? Will Radama, with the wily Hastie by his side, win the internal power struggle against nobles and clan chieftains? Will his forces, with muskets supplied by the British, subdue spear-wielding clans and unite the island, making him king of all Madagascar? Hastie's previously unpublished journals weave a narrative of hazardous travel, byzantine court intrigue, and colonial geopolitics.

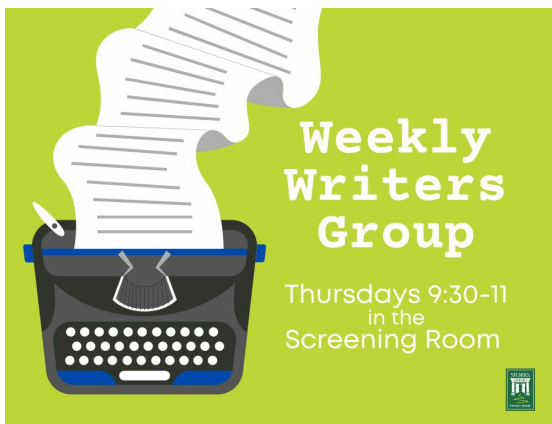
David H. Mould, Professor Emeritus at Ohio University, works as a consultant for UNICEF. Born in the UK, he has worked as a newspaper and TV journalist, documentary producer, media trainer, and freelance writer. He has published books and articles on World War I documentary films, the 19th-century U.S. transportation revolution, and oral history. His travel tales from Asia and Africa, including Madagascar, is featured in the three-book Postcards series.

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Weekly Writers Group

Thursday, October 26, 9:30–11:00



You're invited to join the Weekly Writing Group!

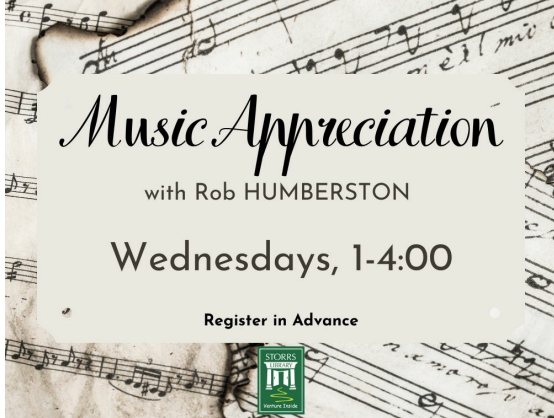
The Writers Group is a welcoming place to share and grow as a writer while being listened to and supported. Each week members share a page or two of their writing from that week and then join in a ten minutes writing exercise with sharing and discussion afterwards.

The Writers Group meets every Thursday at 9:30 am on the second floor of the library. This group is intended for adults.

Music Appreciation with Rob HUMBERSTON

Thursday, October 26, 1:00–4:00

Following the completion of a year of his Music Appreciation program, Rob Humberston returns for another year of



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musical listening and exploration by way of his personal collection of recordings built over five decades. One unique aspect of his collection is the inclusion of recordings based on historically informed performance practices, often utilizing instruments - both original and in reproduction - appropriate to the time of the composition.

As in the last program, he will take a chronological approach to choosing different topics for listening and discussion, beginning in the Fall with the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Topics will include: musical forms; chant; historical musical instruments; specific genres of music; geographical considerations; and selected composers.

Also as in previous years, December will highlight the music of Christmas through the ages, and the New Year will begin with the Baroque Era and continue to the 20th Century. Please join us for another year of beautiful music among collegial participants. There will be new programs beginning in January so please check the calendar.

Please Register in Advance. This program is intended for adults.

Storrs Stitchers (Drop-In) Friday, October 27, 10:00-11:00



Do you knit, crochet, cross stitch, embroider, etc? Come to the Storrs Stitchers, a needle craft group that meets at the Storrs Library on Friday mornings at 10:00.

All needle work and levels of expertise welcome! Bring your own projects or participate in ongoing community projects. Please bring your own supplies.

This is a drop-in program. Registration is not required.

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