



**Library Hours: Monday-Thursday 9am-8pm | Friday 9am-5pm | Saturday 9am-3pm**

## RECENT HAPPENINGS!

Last month we celebrated the holiday season in a few different ways.

Hometown Christmas was December 11<sup>th</sup> and we had people of all ages stop by the library to decorate cookies, write Letters to Santa, and more! The next day, the Andover Orchestra did a musical performance right inside the library!

Now that it is 2026, it's time to get some reading done for the new year. If you are stuck on what to read or want to challenge yourself. Pick up a reading challenge at the front desk or go to [andoverlibrary.beanstack.org/](http://andoverlibrary.beanstack.org/) to see what challenges we have.



Thank you,  
Andover  
Middle and  
High School  
Students, for  
the wonderful  
musical  
performance.

Decorating  
cookies at  
Hometown  
Christmas!



Top Fiction	Top Children's
1 Broken Country	1 Fly Guy and the Frankentfly
2 Great Big Beautiful Life	2 Dog Man
3 Lie He Told Me	3 Squished
4 The Housemaid	4 Wimpy Kid : The Deep End
5 The Wedding People	5 Fox in Socks

Items Checked Out  
**132,700**

Top Genre  
**Mystery**

scan the QR code for the full wrapped

## WE WILL BE CLOSED

@2PM ON DECEMBER 31ST  
FOR NEW YEAR'S EVE

ALL DAY ON JANUARY 1ST  
FOR NEW YEAR'S DAY

There will be no fines and no books due.  
We will reopen at 9AM on January 2nd.  
Have a wonderful new year!

ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY

# ADULT EVENTS

## BINGO

21 & up

**Tuesday, Jan 13th 6PM**

Join the Friends of the Library for BINGO!  
\$5 per card. 21& UP. There will be cash prizes. Space is limited. Must RSVP in advance. Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to RSVP.

## BUNCO

21 & up

**Wednesday, Jan 21st 6PM**

\$5 Entree fee. 21+ BYOB & Snacks. Must RSVP.  
Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to RSVP.

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## Open Mic Night

Bring poetry, music, jokes, or short stories to share with others!

Ages 18 and over.



Third Thursday of  
each month at 7 P.M.

Ages 18+

## American Mahjong

Wednesday Play

Every Wednesday\*

12:30-3:30pm

drop-in play, no sign-up required

Guided Play

For players who have completed lessons and want a slower pace of play. Experienced players will be available to help.

Thursdays,

Jan 8th, 15th, 22nd, & 29th

5:30-7:30pm

Sign up required

Intermediate/Advanced Play

Every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month\*

5:30-7:30pm

Sign up required. Bring \$3.00 in change.

To sign-up or to learn more information on lessons, email [aplfriendevent@gmail.com](mailto:aplfriendevent@gmail.com)

\*Mahjong will not be held on dates the library is closed.

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# CHILDREN'S & TEENS EVENTS

## Lego Club

Thursday, Jan 8th

5PM-6PM

Build your own Lego creations! Every month we have a new theme. We provide the Legos; you just need to bring your imagination. No registration required.

## Tween Book Club

Monday, Jan 19th

5PM-6PM

January's Pick: The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise

Sign up at the front desk and email [apl tweenbookclub@gmail.com](mailto:apl tweenbookclub@gmail.com) for any questions.

## Comic Club

Tuesday, Jan 27th

4:30PM-5:30PM

Create and share your own comics! We provide templates and inspiration to get your creativity going. New members are always welcome, and no registration required.



### CALLING ALL TEENS AGES 12-18!

Want to make a difference at your library? Have ideas for programs, books, or events? Join the **TEEN ADVISORY BOARD!**

#### WHAT YOU'LL DO:

- Help plan teen events
- Recommend books & games
- Earn volunteer hours
- Make new friends
- Build leadership skills

#### MEETINGS:

**Date:** Last Thursday of every month  
**Time:** 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Andover Public Library  
Story Lab  
(Yes, there will be snacks!)

#### INTERESTED?

Stop by the library for more information and applications or email: [awilson@andoverlibrary.org](mailto:awilson@andoverlibrary.org)

# ART SHOWS & OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

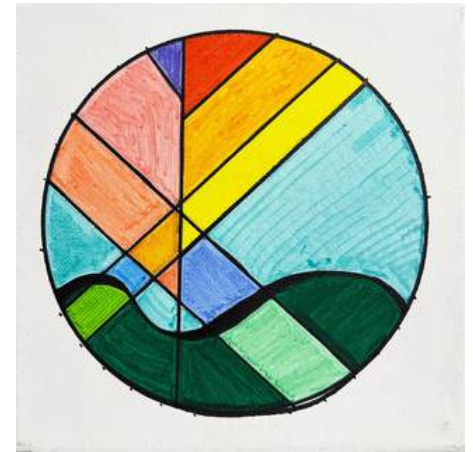
## Three Voices in Abstraction

**Opening Reception: January 8<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7:30PM**

### **In the Art Gallery**

This contemporary abstract exhibition brings together works shaped by bold color and geometric form. Through distinct approaches to structure and composition, the artworks enter into a shared exploration of rhythm, balance, and visual harmony, encouraging close attention to the relationships between color, form, and space. Collectively, the works present abstraction as both expressive and thoughtfully constructed.

**The show will be up January 8th-February 5th.**





# JANUARY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 <b>CLOSED</b> FOR New Year's Day	2	3
4	5 Twos Time @10:30AM Mahjong Intermediate/Advanced Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	6 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM	7 Baby & Me @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	8 Three Voices in Abstraction Art Show Opening 5:30-7:30PM Lego Club @5PM Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	9	10
11	12 Twos Time @10:30AM	13 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Bingo @6PM (register in advance)	14 Baby & Me @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	15 Open Mic Night 7-8PM Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	16	17
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25	26 Twos Time @10:30AM	27 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Comic Club @4:30PM	28 Baby & Me @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	29 Teen Advisory Board 5-6PM (talk to the front desk about joining) Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	30	31

COLOR KEY: Young Children 0-5 Older Children 5+ Tweens/Teens 11+ All Ages Adult 18+