



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

RECENT HAPPENINGS!

We had quite a few fun events in February!

On February 11th we were treated to a special Storytime with Riverside Family Music. This Music Together event was complete with singing, dancing, shakers and scarves!

The next day was the opening reception for the Young Masters art show. This show incorporates art from Andover elementary students, and we love seeing all the talented work.

Speaking of talent, we currently have another art show viewable on the project wall. This art show features paintings created by Chaya Fridman, a local artist and Andover Central Middle School student. Chaya is also a Teen Volunteer and valued member of our Teen Advisory Board.



A photo from the opening reception for the Young Masters Art Show. You can view the art in the Art Gallery during library hours.



50+ people came for the special mahjong night for Lunar New Year!

Featured here is Chaya and Miss Angela (our children's librarian and teen volunteer coordinator) by one of Chaya pieces. This art piece by Chaya will be displayed in our Story Lab after the art show ends.



February also marked the start of the Lunar New Year. To celebrate, the Friends of the Library had a special mahjong night. The friends would like to give an extra thank you to Shirley Anderson for sharing some of her Chinese culture with them during the event.

We have some more exciting events coming up this March, including a look at some upcoming city events.

We hope everyone had a wonderful February and we look forward to the next month!



A big crowd playing with scarves during the Music Together Storytime.

ADULT EVENTS

First Friday

Friday, March 6th
9:30AM

Join the Friends of the Library in the Friends Room for coffee and conversation while we make an Easter Craft.

Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to sign up.

BINGO

21 & up
Tuesday, March 10th
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, March 18th
6PM

\$5 Entree fee. 21+ BYOB & Snacks. Must RSVP.

Email friendsandoverlibrary@gmail.com to RSVP.

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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,
5:30-7:30pm
Sign up required

Intermediate/Advanced Play

Every 1st & 3rd 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 aplfriendedevent@gmail.com
*Mahjong will not be held on dates the library is closed.

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CITY EVENTS

EGGSPLORE ANDOVER

Saturday, March 28
9 a.m. - noon | Central Park

Egg hunt begins at 10 a.m.

Snacks and refreshments available to purchase in the Lodge starting at 9 a.m.

NEW THIS YEAR:
Sensory friendly area

Easter crafts and activities to follow the egg hunt.

- Bubbles
- Sidewalk chalk
- Egg and spoon races

Free & open to the public

Event appropriate for ages 1 - 10, but all family members are welcome!

andoverks.gov/eggsplore



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Actor Boot Camp

June 6 - 27
Saturdays, 12 - 1 p.m.

Register today - \$60
andoverks.gov/recreation

Splash into Andover this summer Finding Nemo Kids

REHEARSALS | June 4 - July 10
Thursdays: 5:30 - 8 p.m.
Saturdays: 9:30 a.m. - noon
PERFORMANCE | Saturday, July 11

Ages 6-11 years old
Registration: \$90
Location:
Andover Community Center, 1008 E 13th St



Register today
andoverks.gov/recreation

CHILDREN'S & TEENS EVENTS

Lego Club

Thursday, March 12th

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, March 9th

5PM-6PM

March's book is "When You Reach Me" by Rebecca Stead.

Sign up at the front desk and email apltweenbookclub@gmail.com for any questions.

Comic Club

Tuesday, March 31st

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.

Special Storytime

with guests from Rushwood Senior Living

Tuesday, March 24th

Twos 9:30

Preschool 10:30

in the Story Laboratory



SPRING STORYTIME

MARCH 9TH THRU APRIL 22ND

Twos time
Age: 2 yrs
Mon. - 10:30
Tues. - 9:30

Preschool
Age: 3-5 yrs
Tues. - 10:30
Wed. - 10:30

Baby & Me
Age: 0-18 mos.
Wed. - 9:30

 **ANDOVER PUBLIC LIBRARY** 2026

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD



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

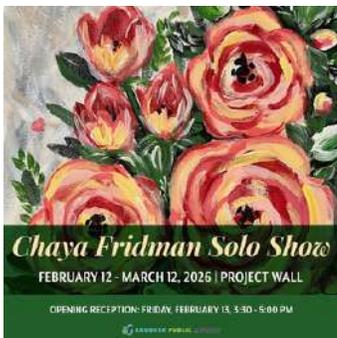
MEETINGS:

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

ART SHOWS & OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

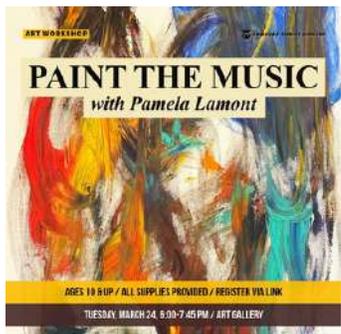
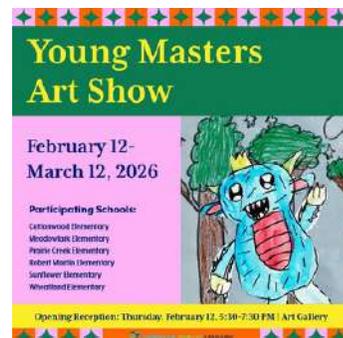


Chaya Fridman Solo Show

Chaya Fridman presents a joyful and imaginative solo exhibition inspired by the natural world. She brings animals, insects, and flowers to life through bold color, expressive brushwork, and playful detail. Her artwork celebrates curiosity and wonder, capturing the personality of her subjects while embracing creativity and experimentation. This exhibition highlights Chaya's growing artistic voice and her deep appreciation for nature as a source of inspiration, storytelling, and joy. **The show will be on display on the Project Wall February 12th-March 12th.**

Young Masters Art Show

The Young Masters Art Show is an annual exhibition celebrating student creativity across the Andover School District. The 2026 exhibition features artwork by Andover elementary students, showcasing imagination, skill, and self-expression across a variety of media. Families and community members are invited to enjoy and celebrate the talents of our young artists. **The show will be up in the Art Gallery February 12th-March 12th**



Paint the Music

with Pamela Lamont

Tuesday, March 24th 6-7:45PM



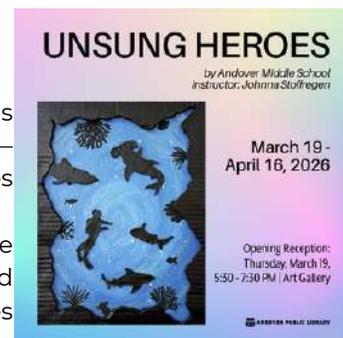
This hands-on workshop invites participants to create artwork inspired by music. Guided by artist Pamela Lamont, participants will explore how rhythm, mood, and sound can be expressed through color, line, and texture using acrylic paint, markers, and pencils. Through demonstration and discussion, participants will connect musical elements to visual art and leave with a unique, sound-inspired artwork. For Ages 10 & up.

Unsung Heroes Art Show

Opening Reception: March 19th 5:30-7:30PM in the Art Gallery

Great change is often driven by people whose names rarely appear in textbooks. In this exhibition, Andover Middle School students set out to uncover those hidden figures—individuals whose courage, dedication, and quiet leadership strengthened communities and advanced ideas in lasting ways.

Through research and creative expression, students examined the ripple effect one determined person can have. Their work highlights a diverse range of contributors and invites viewers to reconsider how we define influence and achievement. *Unsung Heroes* celebrates both the remarkable individuals who shaped history behind the scenes and the thoughtful inquiry of students learning to see history from a broader perspective. **This show will be on display March 19th-April 16th in the Art Gallery.**



Formed in Fire by Kim Ownbey

Opening Reception: March 19th 5:30-7:30PM in the Lobby

In *Formed in Fire*, Andover lampwork glass artist Kim Ownbey transforms simple rods of glass into luminous, one-of-a-kind beads shaped by hand in the flame. Through precise control of heat, timing, and movement, she layers transparent and opaque colors to create depth and quiet complexity, capturing light within each form. Ownbey pairs her handmade glass with thrifted, vintage, and antique elements, blending newly formed beads with materials that carry their own history. Presented in this library, her wearable art invites viewers to discover beauty, meaning, and connection preserved in glass. This show will be on display **March 19th-April 30th** on the Project Wall. View more of Kim Ownbey's work at kimberlyoriginals.com.

MARCH 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Mahjong Intermediate/Advanced Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	3	4 Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	5 Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	6 First Friday @9:30 AM	7
NO STORYTIME THIS WEEK						
8	9 Twos Time @10:30AM Tween Book Club 5-6PM (talk to the front desk about registering)	10 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Bingo @6PM (register in advance)	11 Baby & Me @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Lunch & Learn @12:15-12:45PM Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	12 Young Masters Art Show Last Day Chaya Friman Solo Show Last Day Lego Club @5PM Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance)	13	14
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22	23 Twos Time @10:30AM	24 Story Corner with Rushwood Senior Living Center 9:30AM & 10:30AM Paint the Music Art Workshop 6-7:45PM (Ages 10&up, Register in advance)	25 Baby & Me @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Mahjong @12:30-3:30pm	26 Mahjong Guided Play @5:30-7:30 (register in advance) Teen Advisory Board 5-6PM (talk to the front desk about joining)	27	28 Eggsplere Andover in Andover Central Park 9AM-12PM
29	30 Twos Time @10:30AM	31 Twos Time @9:30AM Preschool @10:30AM Comic Club @4:30PM				

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