

Summer 2025 Adult Events

Space is limited, so registration is required for most events.
To register, visit wtmlib.info or call the Reference Department at **860-652-7720**.



Summer Reading for all ages runs from 6/16 - 8/9!

Check our website for details!

Soy Candle Making for Adults

Wed. 6/4 @ 6:00 PM | Registration starts by phone for Glastonbury residents with a valid library card on 5/7 and online for all on 5/14 if space remains

Join Laurie Lynne of Creative Girl Studios for a candle-making workshop! Choose from 100+ scents, organic cotton wicks, jars, and more. Leave with two handmade, 100% soy candles!

Let's TALK: Social Media and Mental Health

Mon. 6/9 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 5/12
Join WTML and TALK for a discussion on social media's impact on mental health. Share perspectives, explore questions on well-being, youth protections, and balancing privacy with free speech. Advanced reading materials will be provided.

★ Summer Reading Kickoff Party

Fri. 6/20 @ 6:00 PM | Registration starts 5/23
All ages are invited to kick off our 2025 Summer Reading Program, "Color Our World," with a DJ Dance Party and a visit from the Mouse from *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie!* Enjoy dancing, photos, ice cream, and sign up for summer reading!

Ekphrastic Workshop: Poetry & Visual Art Collide

Mon. 6/23 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 5/27
Join Glastonbury Poet Laureate Victoria Nordlund for a creative workshop blending visual art and poetry. View vibrant artworks, craft sensory-rich poems, and explore the art of ekphrastic writing. All levels welcome.

Paint with Pride (for Adults)

Mon. 6/30 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts by phone for Glastonbury residents with a valid library card on 6/2 and online for all on 6/9 if space remains
Celebrate Pride Month with Pamela Halligan of Pam's Picassos! Learn to paint your own masterpiece, inspired by inclusivity and diversity. All skill levels welcome.

Vincent van Gogh: A Portrait by the Postman Roulin

Mon. 7/7 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 6/9
Join Ted Zalewski as Joseph Roulin, Vincent van Gogh's loyal friend, in this captivating portrayal. Enjoy stories of van Gogh's journey from Holland to France, filled with humor, insight, and heart. Presented in collaboration with Glastonbury Arts.

◆ Artist Reception: Meredith Miller

Thurs. 7/10 @ 6:30 PM | No registration required
Join us in the gallery to see our newest exhibit, meet the artist, and have the opportunity to ask questions about the work on display. Light refreshments will be provided.

★ Trash Art Workshop for Adults

Mon. 7/14 @ 6:00 PM | Registration starts by phone for Glastonbury residents with a valid library card on 6/16 and online for all on 6/23 if space remains
Join artist Sarah Schneiderman for a workshop where you'll transform found objects and trash into imaginative art. Create fish, birds, and more while exploring sustainability, artistic techniques, and environmental impact. All skill levels welcome!

Hoop Skirts to Flappers: Eighty Years of CT Fashion

Mon. 7/28 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 6/30
Join the Connecticut Museum of Culture and History for a lecture on the evolution of women's fashion from 1850 to 1930. Explore the transformation from hoopskirts to flappers, and how societal shifts influenced women's clothing during this pivotal period.

★ Decoupage Seashells Workshop for Adults

Mon. 8/4 @ 6:00 PM | Registration starts by phone for Glastonbury residents with a valid library card on 7/7 and online for all on 7/14 if space remains
Celebrate summer by turning seashells into vibrant art! Join Jean Rill-Alberto for a fun decoupage workshop, perfect for all skill levels. Create colorful treasures with beautiful paper designs and take home your own unique summer masterpiece!

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★ **Kenn Morr Band in Concert**
(Ella Waters Event Series)

Mon. 8/11 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 7/14

The Kenn Morr Band is touring in support of Still Shining, an album featuring 11 original songs with rich harmonies and vibrant instrumentation. Inspired by folk legends, the band blends poetic lyrics with soulful performances, earning airplay in the U.S. and Europe.

New England Oceans

Mon. 8/25 @ 6:30 PM | Registration starts 7/28

Join scuba diver and ocean advocate Deb Dauphinais for a presentation on marine life in New England. Learn about local fish, invertebrates, and plant species, along with captivating stories and surprising facts, from her extensive diving experience and volunteer work.

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Fiber Arts Friends

Knit, crochet, quilt, or stitch your way through the afternoon with others who share your passion. Bring your own project and get inspired for your next creation.

Registration is not required.

Every Tue. @ 12 PM

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Second Tuesday Book Club

Limited copies of the current selection will be available at the Lending Desk.

Registration is not required.

Tue. 6/10 @ 2 PM

Circe by Madeline Miller

Tue. 7/8 @ 2 PM

A Walk in the Woods by Bill Bryson

Tue. 8/12 @ 2 PM

West with Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge

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Cookbook Club

Cook a recipe at home and then bring your creation in to share. A free copy of the recipe of your choice will be provided to you.

Registration is not required.

Mon. 6/16 @ 6 PM | *Cook This Book* by Molly Baz

Mon. 7/21 @ 6 PM | *Cook Color* by Maria Zizka

Mon. 8/18 @ 6 PM | *Coastal* by Scott Clark

Thursday Night Book Club

Limited copies of the current selection will be available at the Lending Desk.

Registration is not required.

Thu. 6/26 @ 6:30 PM

The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store

by James McBride

Thu. 7/24 @ 6:30 PM

The Life Impossible by Matt Haig

Thu. 8/28 @ 6:30 PM

Here One Moment by Liane Moriarty

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Career Navigation for Job Seekers

Embark on a job-seeking adventure at the American Job Center! Connect with a career navigator to explore programs, register for CTHires, complete WIOA Pre-application, and uncover exciting job opportunities with expert support. Registration is not required.

Wed. 6/25, 7/30, & 8/27 @ 3 PM

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◆ **Virtual Author Talks**

Tune in from home for our exciting Virtual Author Talk series. Register at any time on our website to receive the link for participating. All talks in this series are recorded and archived for later viewing.

Wed. 6/4 @ 2 PM

Smithsonian Tropical Institute

Tue. 6/10 @ 2 PM

Lisa Jewell

Thu. 7/31 @ 2 PM

Pria Anand

Tue. 8/5 @ 2 PM

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2CF Studio Events

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STUDIO OPEN HOURS

Mon. 9 AM - 1 PM

Wed. 4 PM - 8 PM

Thu. 9 AM - 8 PM

2CF Studio hours are subject to change based on staff availability and programs scheduled in the space. Please check the Library calendar and/or website for updates and changes to the open hours schedule.

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Funding for the 2CF Studio and the events therein has been provided by the WTML Second Century Fund, the Town of Glastonbury, and through an Education Grant from the Public Utilities Regulatory Authority.

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Laser-Etched Greeting Card Workshop

Tue. 6/3 @ 6:00 PM | *Registration starts 5/6*

Design custom greeting cards with laser etching! Use design software to create intricate patterns and messages, then watch as the laser brings your creations to life on cardstock. (Teens & Adults)

Photo Coaster Workshop

Tue. 6/17 @ 6:00 PM | *Registration starts 5/20*

Learn to transfer digital images onto tiles using heat and pressure, creating vibrant, lasting designs. Leave with custom, heat-resistant tiles for display or gifts! (Children, Teens, & Adults)

Paint by Numbers

Sat. 6/28 @ 12:30 PM | *Registration starts 5/31*

Join our relaxing paint-by-numbers session! We provide canvas, paints, and brushes—just follow the guide to create a beautiful artwork. Perfect for beginners and experienced painters alike! (Teens & Adults)

3D-Printed Bobble Head Workshop

Tue. 7/8 @ 6:00 PM | *Registration starts 6/10*

Design your own 3D-printed bobblehead! Learn to create a digital model with unique facial features and a bobbling mechanism, then watch as we bring your playful keepsake to life with 3D printing! (Children, Teens, & Adults)

Intro to the Embroidery Machine

Sat. 7/26 @ 12:30 PM | *Registration starts 6/28*

Learn to import, customize designs, and master hooping, threading, and stitch selection to bring your creative ideas to life with professional embroidery. (Teens & Adults)

Intro to the Cricut Mug Press

Tues. 8/5 @ 6:00 PM | *Registration starts 7/8*

Learn to design and transfer vibrant images onto ceramic mugs using sublimation. Discover the ease and consistency of this technique, and leave with the skills to create custom mugs for gifts or yourself! (Teens & Adults)

Clay Flower Bouquet Workshop

Sat. 8/9 @ 12:30 PM | *Registration starts 7/12*

Learn to sculpt delicate floral petals and leaves from air-dry clay, add vibrant color with acrylic paints, and create a stunning, everlasting bouquet. Leave with your own handcrafted floral arrangement! (Children, Teens, & Adults)

Reading Pillow Workshop

Tues. 8/12 & 8/19 @ 6:00 PM | *Registration starts 7/15*

Combine the love of reading with a sewing project! Join Marilyn from Close To Home as you create a comfortable pillow with a pocket, made for relaxing with a favorite book. (Teens & Adults)

Beads & Button Mosaic Workshop

Sat. 8/23 @ 12:30 PM | *Registration starts 7/26*

Learn to arrange an assortment of colorful beads and vintage buttons onto a prepared surface, creating intricate patterns and designs. Leave with a unique, handcrafted piece of art. (Children, Teens, & Adults)

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Geraldine Brooks Discussion Series



Geraldine Brooks is coming to Glastonbury!

We're thrilled to announce that the **Welles-Turner Memorial Library Second Century Fund** will be hosting New York Times bestselling author Geraldine Brooks in Glastonbury on September 28! Stay tuned for more details on this exciting event.

To celebrate and prepare for her visit, WTML will be hosting a special series of book discussions featuring Brooks' acclaimed works. Join fellow readers to explore her compelling storytelling, rich historical settings, and unforgettable characters.

Copies of each book will be available to borrow at the Lending Desk. No registration required—just drop in and enjoy the conversation! Refreshments will be served.



Horse

Tue. 6/3 @ 10:00 AM

In 1850, an enslaved groom and a foal rise to fame. War reunites them with an artist. Decades later, a painting sparks obsession, and researchers uncover the stallion's power and lost Black horsemen.

People of the Book

Mon. 6/16 @ 3:00 PM

Australian rare book expert Hanna Heath uncovers tiny artifacts in an ancient manuscript, unlocking its mysteries and drawing her into the world of art forgers and ultra-nationalist fanatics.

Year of Wonders

Wed. 7/9 @ 6:30 PM

In 1666, as plague ravages her village, housemaid Anna Frith becomes an unlikely heroine. Amid fear, superstition, and loss, she fights for survival, love, and hope in what becomes her "year of wonders."

March

Tue. 7/22 @ 6:30 PM

Idealistic chaplain March faces war's brutality, testing his faith in the Union and himself. As he recovers, he must reunite with his family in a love story of passion, resilience, and belief.

The Secret Chord

Wed. 8/6 @ 6:30 PM

This vivid reimagining of King David's life follows his rise from shepherd to king, his triumphs and betrayals, and his final days, seen through the eyes of those who loved, feared, and betrayed him.

Caleb's Crossing

Thu. 8/21 @ 2:00 PM

In 1665, Caleb, a young Wampanoag, becomes the first Native American to graduate from Harvard. Through Bethia Mayfield's eyes, Caleb's Crossing tells a luminous tale of love, faith, magic, and cultural divides.

Memorial Days

Wed. 9/10 @ 6:30 PM

When Geraldine Brooks' husband, Tony Horwitz, died suddenly, grief was met with red tape. Three years later, she sought solace on a remote island, exploring global mourning rituals to rebuild her life.

