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Shelf Swap: Rearranging the Stacks

Stop by the library to see the new layout! Librarians and a volunteer were hard at work on a Friday morning rearranging the shelving downstairs.

Biographies are now front and center by the doorway, all fiction is together on the right side of the building, and all nonfiction is separated on the left side of the building. We hope this will make it easier to find the books you're looking for moving forward.







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I didn't know the library had... Museum passes!

BPL currently has passes for reduced admission at local museums and learning centers including the Currier Museum of Art in Manchester, the Seacoast Science Center in Rye, the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston, and both the Franklin and Stone Park Zoos! Check out our website for a full list of the passes we offer. If you'd like to reserve a pass, just give us a call at (603) 673-3330 or email circulation@brooklinenh.us.

Stories Beyond the Library

Field trip storytimes this summer have given families in our community a behind the scenes look at the departments that keep Brookline running.

For our Summer Reading Program this year, our children's librarians Joella and Michelle organized the return of summer 2023's popular Field Trip Storytimes!



Kids got to hear stories at the Brookline Post Office.

This year, our theme for Summer Reading is "Adventure Begins at Your Library." Each week, families are invited on adventures featuring tours of different departments in town. Field Trip Storytimes offer a unique chance to see what goes on day to day in each department and meet the special people that keep our community running.

We got to visit Winterberry Farm, where kids got to pet goats, donkeys, sheep and more. At the DPW, along with the stories, kids got to try out the front seats of the town's public works equipment and see how big it really is. The Brookline Safety Complex was so popular, we had to go twice! Kids got to meet the police officers, check out the patrol cars and ambulance and see the inside of the jail cells (don't worry, no one got locked in.) For more photos and to check out where else we got to go, visit the library's facebook page (@bpl_nh)!

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Check out some reads as seen on TV!

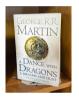
Did you know that many of your favorite television series (on and off of Netflix) are inspired by books? There may be some you wouldn't expect (the Witcher was a book series before a it was a game series?) Check out the display downstairs this month, we've collected several of the titles that inspired shows like Bridgerton, House of the Dragon, True Blood, The Magicians, Outlander, Band of Brothers, Orange is the New Black, and more! Take a book home and relive your favorite stories in a new way, then come back and let us know which you liked best!

















Get To Know Your Librarians

Did you know that the library has a special mascot who lives upstairs all year long? Meet Muskie!

Q. How long have you worked here, Muskie?

A. I've been around since Myra was the director of the library, back in the early 2000s.

Q. What do you do at the library?

A. I supervise! I'm in the teen room on most days but sometimes I get to welcome people to events too!

Q. What is your favorite book?

A. I'm quite fond of Memoirs of a Tortoise by Devin Scillian

Q. What is your favorite thing about working at BPL?

A. Getting to go on adventures! I like to visit people during open houses, and this year I got to walk in the 4th of July parade. Seeing you lovely folks makes my day!

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Visit the new section for some of the latest issues of many popular magazines

Trivia Time!

The Social Library of Brookline was established in 1823, 201 years ago. To buy a share in that library cost just \$1. The library had around 100 volumes when it closed.

Do you know what year the Brookline **Public** Library was founded?

Check out next month's issue for the answer!

Upcoming events



Summer Reading Finale

08/08 at 6:00 PM

Join us for music, games and fun at the finale to this year's Summer Reading Program on the **Town Hall front lawn.** We'll have lawn games set up and be holding the raffle drawing for summer reading prizes!



Craft Supply Swap

8/14 - 8/17

Have craft supplies at home you're not using anymore? Join our craft supply swap! Drop off items during open hours the 14th and 15th, shop during open hours the 16th and 17th! More details about the swap are available on our website.



Read to Kallie the Therapy Dog

8/7 and 8/19 at 3:30 PM

Kids of all ages can practice their reading with Kallista the therapy dog! Sign up for a ten-minute time slot and read to a furry friend who loves books! Sign up in person at the library or by calling us at 603-673-3330.

To register for any of our programs, and to check out what else we have going on this month, visit the event calendar on our website: BrooklineLibraryNH.org/events-calendar