

THE E-LIBRARIAN

February 2023

February is a perfect time to curl up at home with a book and a hot cup of your favorite drink taking part in a [reading challenge](#) or bring your little one into the Library for [story time](#). Maybe you want to participate in some of our [bird events](#). After 16 years at SFL, Youth Services Director Maris Frey is retiring at the end of the month. Please stop by between 10 am and 6 pm from Monday, February 13 through Thursday, February 16 to wish her well on her next chapter. Whatever you may need – it is likely you can find it at SFL this month!



BELINDA'S BOOK NOTES

A Meditation on The Saving Grace of Poetry and The Imagination, Dedicated to Ukraine.

[READ MORE HERE](#)



LIBRARY SERVICES

Each month, Assistant Director Karla Boeddinghaus Umland will be highlighting services offered by Stonington Free Library.

Did you know that you can use your library card at any library in Connecticut?

[READ MORE HERE](#)



STAFF FAVORITES

Looking for something to read, watch or listen to?

Check out our staff favorites!

We will keep updating so check back often!

OUR FAVORITES THIS MONTH

Micayla, Heidi, and Millie share their favorites this month. A local author, a sweet read, and a modern American family.

[READ MORE HERE](#)



FROM THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

My husband and I are moving to Delaware at the end of this month to be closer to our granddaughter. Leaving the Stonington Free Library is bittersweet for me.

[READ MORE HERE](#)

ADULT PROGRAMMING

Offered in collaboration with the Connecticut Audubon Society and Mystic & Noank Library.

BACKYARD BIRDING VIRTUAL PROGRAM

**Presented by the Connecticut
Audubon Society**

Time: 6-7pm

Date: February 2, 2023

Location: Virtual via Zoom



Use QR code to
register



Learn which birds you can expect to see in your backyard this time of year, how to make your yard a bird-friendly habitat, plus tips for making the most of your backyard birding. Registration is required.

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IN PERSON BIRD WALK AT BARN ISLAND



**Presented by the Connecticut
Audubon Society**

Time: 10-11am

Date: February 4, 2023

**Location: Barn Island
249 Palmer Neck Rd, Pawcatuck**

Use QR code to
register



This field-based bird walk starts at the
Barn Island boat launch lot. Registration
is required and space is limited.



**February
Grab & Go
Activity Bags
for ADULTS!**

Available starting **February 6**, while supplies last.

Yarn Bird



February brings the Great Backyard Bird Count, a global effort to identify and count birds. Join the flock with this adorable bird made of yarn scraps from the SFL staff and knitting group!

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BEYOND THE AMISTAD: BLACK HISTORY IN CONNECTICUT

presented by the Connecticut Historical Society

Monday February 6, 2023

6:00 pm

Via ZOOM



scan QR code to register



Join Connecticut Historical Society Museum Educator Christina Rewinski as she takes you on a tour of items in the collection representing a spectrum of the Black experience in Connecticut.

This program is sponsored by Mystic & Noank Library and co-sponsored by
Stonington Free Library and Groton Public Library.

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AUDUBON GREAT BACKYARD BIRD COUNT

February 17-20 2023

**Count birds on your own for
at least 15 minutes on one
or more days of this four-
day event (2/17-20).**

**Report your sightings online
at gbbc.birdcount.org.**

Email lvynhope@stoningtonfreelibrary.org
with any questions about how to participate!



GET COUNTING!

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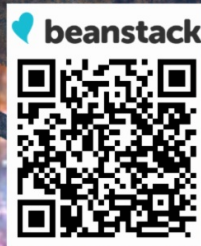


Adult Winter Library Challenge 2023
January 1 – February 28, 2023

LOOK UP!

James Webb Telescope Challenge/NASA

Learn all about the science behind NASA's space telescope mission, the **James Webb Space Telescope**. Earn chances to win a prize by logging your reading and completing activities!



Scan the QR code to register online!
You can document and follow your progress on Beanstack.

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SFL Knitting Group

WEDNESDAYS
1 PM - 3 PM

ALL CRAFTERS WELCOME!

**The SFL Knitting Group meets
in person & on Zoom.**



Email

ivyhope@stoningtonfreelibrary.org
for more information!



In the Loop at SFL *a Special Gallery Exhibit*

January 1 – March 31, 2023
20 High Street, Stonington

Stop by during
library hours and
enjoy a special
showcase of
hand crafted
works created by
the Wednesday
Knitting Group.



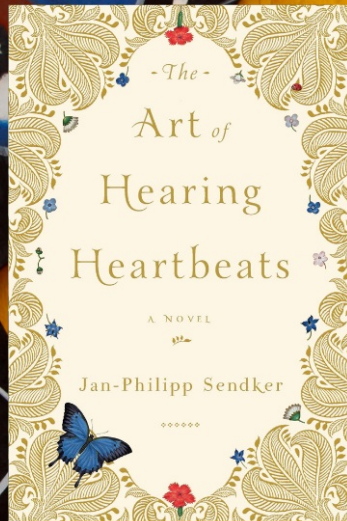
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BOOK GROUPS

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THURSDAY AFTERNOON BOOK GROUP



Afternoon Book Group Members
will discuss:

*The Art of Hearing
Heartbeats*

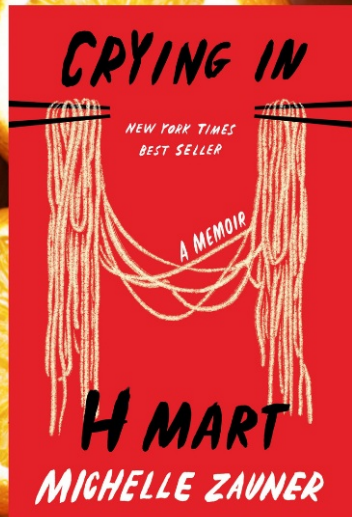
by
Jan-Philipp Sendker

Thursday,
February 9th
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm



New to the group?
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by
Michelle Zauner

Thursday,
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YOUTH PROGRAMMING

February 4, 2023



We're having a book giveaway! Come for a visit,
choose your free book and bring home a snack.

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* February Grab & Go

Pick up a book & a snack!

Our treat!



Monday, February 6

Ages 0-15

While supplies last.

AFTER
16 Years of hard work, dedication and story times . . .


Mrs. Frey is . . .

Retiring

Join the Retirement Celebration

February 13 - 16
Stop in anytime from 10am until 6pm

Enjoy Share memories and wish her well on her next chapter!





Our Winter Reading Challenge



50 To Grow On

Early Literacy Initiative

We have chosen 40 books and the other 10
are up to you! Completion prize after all 50 and a chance
for a raffle prize!

This FREE program is for children ages 7 and under.
Sign up and log on with the QR code.

December 1 - March 31

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DROP IN STORYTIME

January 9th—April 3rd

Mondays @ 10:30*

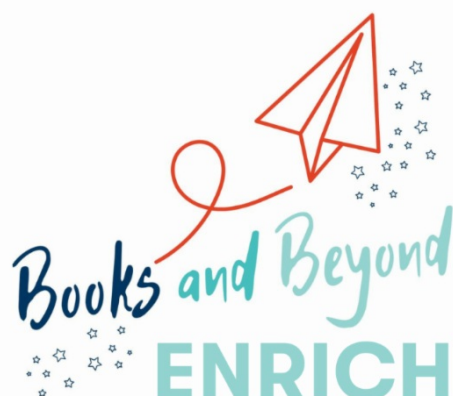
*excluding Holiday closings or closings due to inclement weather.



2023

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CLOSED:
February 20th

LIBRARY HOURS

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Wednesday 10–7
Thursday 10 – 7
Friday 10 – 5
Saturday 10 – 3
Sunday 10 – 3

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