

THE BOOKCASE

AGAWAM PUBLIC LIBRARY'S NEWSLETTER

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Libraries Rock! Adult Summer Reading Program

Discovering New England Stone Walls

with Kevin Gardner

Thursday, August 2 @ 6:30 p.m.

Kevin Gardner, author of *The Granite Kiss*, explains how and why New England came to acquire its many miles of stone walls, how they were built and their significance to the famous New England landscape. Throughout this presentation, Kevin will build a miniature stone wall on a tabletop, using tiny stones.



Adult Summer Reading Programming

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| Fridays @ 11:00 | Streaming LIVE Music Concerts |
| August 2 @ 6:30 | New England Stone Walls |
| August 6 @ 7:00 | Teen & Adult Ukulele |
| August 10 @ 3:00 | Grand Prize Raffle Drawing |

Libraries Rock is sponsored by one or more of the following: Agawam Center Library Association, the Boston Bruins, The Massachusetts Library System, the Agawam and Massachusetts Cultural Councils, the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners, Collaborative Summer Library Program (CSLP) and the David M. and Marjorie J. Sherman Fund.

Learn to Play the Ukulele

with Julie Stepanek

Monday, August 6 @ 7:00 p.m.

THIS EVENT IS FOR TEENS AND ADULTS ONLY. When registering, please let us know if you are bringing your own ukulele.

Julie will teach teens and adults how to play the ukulele as quickly and enjoyably as possible! A 30-minute lesson, followed by a strum-along /sing-along, will conclude with a Q & A session. Julie will bring a limited amount of ukuleles to loan out to participants. She will also answer questions about purchasing, tuning and other aspects of ukulele playing. Julie is an accomplished singer, songwriter and musician. For the last 10 years, she has been teaching and making music at libraries, schools and senior centers in Massachusetts and Connecticut.



Please call 789-1550 X4 or go online www.agawamlibrary.org to register for programs.

Fridays “Live” Concerts with Qello! Drop-in! No need to register!



August 3 – Elvis Presley
August 10 – Jason Aldean

Libraries Rock with Blades!

The Mascot of the Boston Bruins

Wednesday, August 8 @ 3:00 p.m.

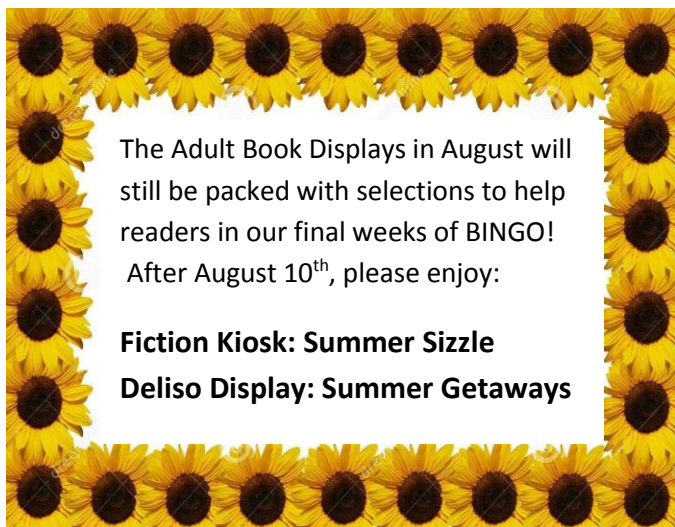
Intended for all ages, this special appearance will feature fun games and activities, Bruins trivia, and a story. This program is brought to us by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. Please register online www.agawamlibrary.org

Street Photography Presentation

with August Artist Fred LeBlanc

Tuesday, August 21 @ 7:00 p.m.

Join Photographer Fred LeBlanc for an informative talk about his unique photographic style.



August Book Discussion Groups

Evening Club “Nightbookers”

Tuesday, August 7 @ 7:00 p.m.

Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline

Afternoon Club “Page Turners”

Wednesday, August 22 @ 2:00 p.m.

Japanese Lover by Isabel Allende



August Art Exhibit

**Gallery Space: *Street Focus*
by Fred LeBlanc**

Street Focus is an exhibit from South Hadley photographer, Fred LeBlanc.

Street photography is a way of seeing and experiencing life as it happens. Fred’s unique black and white style depicts everyday moments without interrupting them and captures a once-in-a-lifetime moment as it unfolds. Fred has worked as a professional, commercial, corporate and editorial photographer for over thirty years. His award-winning photos have been in museums, libraries and juried art shows. They have been published on calendars, posters, postcards and books. As a way of giving back to his profession, Fred teaches the Art of Digital Photography in his print studio in South Hadley, and at Greenfield Community College. For more information, please visit <http://fredleblancphotography.com>.

Library Hours

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| Monday – Thursday | 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. |
| Friday | 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. |

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