



FRIENDS
OF THE
AVON
LIBRARY

Beyond the Bookends



Newsletter of the Friends of the Library & the Board of Trustees

Summer 2021



Summer Cooking Series with Colin McCullough



Thank you to the **Friends of the Avon Library** for sponsoring this series of cooking programs, just in time for all of our summer get-togethers! Chef **Colin McCullough** will share his expertise & recipes, helping us to incorporate more whole-food, plant-based meals into our daily routine.



Summer Salads

Thursday, June 24
6:30 pm

Veggie Burgers and Sausages

Thursday, July 15
6:30 pm

Summer Smoothies

Saturday, August 21
2:30 pm

All events will be virtual via **Zoom** ~ please register @ www.avonctlibrary.info

Letter from the President of the Friends of Avon Public Library

June 2021

Dear Friends,

Here are nine things that make me deliriously happy (and they all include the word book):

1. This week the Friends' board members of the Avon Public Library will be meeting outside on one member's deck for our first in-person event in 14 months. This is our last meeting of the year, and we're looking forward to tea, conversations, and a book swap-of course!
2. Reading a book on my porch swing.
3. The Friends are moving forward with plans for an October book sale. Although we're not requesting more used book contributions at this time, keep us in mind for book donations in the near future.
4. Reading a book at the beach on a sunny day.
5. The Avon Public Library is still providing curbside or inside book pick-up and it's dangerously easy to reserve and request all the books I need online. And no fines!!
6. Browsing for books in person at The Avon Public Library.
7. Long car trips are in my future this summer, and that means it's time to plan and choose audio-books from the Avon Public Library.
8. Downloading E-books from the Avon Public Library.
9. Our librarians continue to support local authors by promoting their books with virtual events. (They helped me launch my debut novel, *The Surrogate*, last month. A special shout-out to Tina and Cyndi!)

We wish you all a healthy, joyful, exciting summer filled with friends, family, fun activities, and books, of course. We look forward to seeing you at The Avon Public Library in the not-too-distant future and as always, we appreciate your ongoing support.

And now, back to my book, *The Hour of the Witch*, by Chris Bohjalian.

Lynn Katz, President, Friends of Avon Free Public Library

Summer Local Author Festival @ Avon Library



Karen Dionne

Wednesday
June 30
7:00 pm

Kate White

Thursday
July 1
7:00 pm

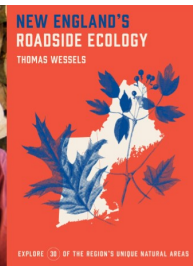


Duena Blomstrom

Monday
July 19
7:00 pm

Liv Constantine

Wednesday
July 28
7:00 pm

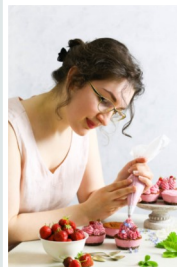


Tom Wessels

Tuesday
August 24
2:00 pm

Katarina Cermelj

Wednesday
August 25
6:30 pm

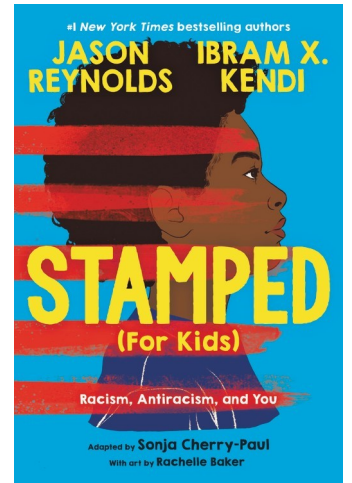


All programs are virtual & will be available via Zoom.
Please register at www.avonctlibrary.info and a
Zoom link will be sent to you before each program.

STAMPED For Kids: A Community Conversation

Thursday, July 22 @ 6:00 pm

Join us (on Zoom) for a conversation with Dr. Sonja Cherry-Paul, former middle school teacher, co-founder of the Institute for Racial Equity in Literacy, and author of *Stamped (for Kids)* an adaptation of the best-selling *Stamped from the Beginning*. Dr. Cherry-Paul will discuss how and why to talk to children about race and racism. For more information and to register for the Zoom link, please visit www.avonctlibrary.info.



Kid Readers Unite (KRU) ★ Book Discussions

Tuesdays @ 3:00 pm



If your child is entering grades 4-6 and they love to read, then KRU is for them! When parents sign their child up they will get a free advance reader copy (arc) of each month's book.

★ July 20 ★ *The Best Worst Summer* by Elizabeth Eulberg

★ August 10 ★ *The Last Fallen Star* by Graci Kim

This discussion will occur on Zoom - please register
@ www.avonctlibrary.info to receive the link!

Do, Re, (You &) Me!
A Virtual Music Program on Zoom!!!
for Children 6 & under w/Caregiver
Tuesday Mornings
@ 11:00 a.m.
July 6, 13, 20, 27 & August 3
Register @ www.avonctlibrary.info

RAZZLE DAZZLE DANCE PARTY

THURSDAY MORNINGS @ 11:15 AM

JULY 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29

FOR AGES SIX AND UNDER

IT'S
GAZEBO
STYLE!



REGISTRATION
REQUIRED



IN THE EVENT OF INCLEMENT WEATHER,
EVENT WILL BE HELD ON ZOOM
COVID PROTOCOLS WILL BE
ANNOUNCED CLOSER TO THE EVENT

@ THE
AVON
TOWN
GREEN
GAZEBO
ON WEST
MAIN
STREET
(ROUTE
44)



DJ FAMILY SUMMER NIGHTS

Wednesdays @ 5:00 – 7:00 pm

June 23 * July 7 * July 21

Mix It Up Entertainment is bringing DJ Rude-K to the library for three fantastic summer dance parties for families outside on the library lawn! COVID protocols will be announced closer to the event. Space will be limited, and registration will be required. Please visit www.avonctlibrary.info for complete details and to register.



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UNEARTHING HISTORY: VIRTUAL LECTURES

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Connecticut Native American Communities: Past and Present

Thursday, September 9, 7:00 pm (via Zoom)

Presented by Dr. Lucianne Lavin, Director of Research and Collections, Institute of American Indian Studies, Washington, CT. She is also the author of *Connecticut's Indigenous People: What Archaeology, History and Oral Traditions Teach Us About Their Communities and Cultures*. Dr. Lavin will explain how these indigenous communities were the first environmental stewards, astronomers, mathematicians, zoologists, botanists and geologists, and how in reality these "pre-contact" tribes have been, and still are here, for more than 10,000 years.

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**TANGLEWOOD
MARIONETTES**

The Dragon King

**Wednesday
August 11
3:00 pm
via Zoom**

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Let's Do This Folks: Virtual Cooking Demo & Book Talk with Lorenzo Beronilla

Monday, June 28 @ 7:00 pm (via Zoom)



Join us for a fun-filled, high energy virtual event with **Lorenzo Beronilla**, as he shares homemade dishes that are as fun to make as they are delicious to eat!

The Internet adores cooking tasty weeknight meals alongside Lorenzo Beronilla, star (and clear fan favorite) of two Epicurious hit series, *4 Levels* and *Pro Chef vs. Home Cook*. In his epic debut cookbook, ***Let's Do This, Folks! Home Cooking with Lorenzo: Delicious Meals Made E-Z***, Lorenzo shows you how to master the art of home cooking with 60 incredible, flavor-packed recipes that taste great and are E-Z enough for any newbie chef to whip up without a fuss.

Full of unmatched, comforting flavors, this collection of recipes is uniquely inspired by both Lorenzo's Filipino background and his dedication to over-the-top yumminess. His casual yet calculated approach to cooking will help you get comfy and confident in your own kitchen. By breaking down intimidating dishes like roasting a whole chicken dinner (plus sides!) with straightforward methods and the use of simple ingredients, you'll feel like you can take on any recipe! Lorenzo's bubbly personality and endearing Dad jokes will leave your heart as full as your belly, making you laugh along the way.

Please register @ www.avonclibrary.info to receive the Zoom link for this program