

57 New Haven Ave Monday 10-5

Milford, CT 06460 Tuesday-Thursday 10-8:30

203-783-3290 Friday 1-5

milfordlibrary.org Saturday 10-5

The library is currently closed to the public.

Dear Library Friends-

As we head into May, I wanted to update you on library services and programs.

On May 4 we will re-open the outside book return at our lower level entrance. The New Haven Avenue return that deposits materials inside the building will remain locked. Returned materials will be guarantined for a minimum of 72 hours before being checked in and removed from your patron account. However, there is no rush to return materials. You may still keep all materials currently checked out until we re-open to the public and no overdue fines will be charged. We are opening the outside return so that staff can begin to process what we anticipate will be a heavy volume of items. Please do NOT drop off any donations. We currently do not have the staff or volunteers to process them and they will be discarded.

We will be introducing curbside pickup of materials the week of May 18. The only items available for pickup will be items placed on hold through our online catalog, or via telephone or email request. Patrons will be limited to 5 holds at one time. Our statewide and consortia delivery systems are not operating so you will not be able to place holds on items from other libraries.

Please look to our website. milfordlibrary.org, for more information.

We have moved programs online for the foreseeable future. Look to our website or



social media pages for information on book discussions, story times, and

other programs for children and adults.

As the state begins to open up this month, we have decided to keep our museum and venue passes available for future bookings. However, at this time, only those printable from home will be available for use.

Staff are available to answer any questions, or to issue library cards to new users. We have expanded our eBook, eAudiobook, and eMagazine content during this time.

All services are subject to change as we evaluate the best procedures to provide you access to library materials. On behalf of the Library staff, Board, and Friends of the Library, we wish you well and hope to see vou soon.

Chris Angeli Library Director 203-783-3399 cangeli@milfordct.gov

24/7 Resources

Downloadable eBooks, eAudiobooks & eMagazines. Click on the icons to get started!



If you are a Milford resident, but have



never had a card,

cards. Please complete the application form or contact us via phone, email or FB message to get started!

Virtual Book Groups

* Popular Fiction via Zoom—Contact: cangeli@milfordct.gov Tuesday, May 19 at 7pm The Mysterious Affair at Styles by Agatha Christie

Classic via Zoom—Contact: nabbey@milfordct.gov Thursday, May 28 at 10am The Pearl by John Steinbeck

Romance—Contact: cratzenberger@milfordct.gov

Email the contact to obtain the Zoom ID and password for each group.

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Virtual Programs

Matias the Magician via Zoom * Monday, May 4 at 6:30pm Contact: nabbey@milfordct.gov



This is a great event for the whole family, and after he does his magic tricks, he'll be sharing the secret of one with everyone! Have some laughs and learn a trick!

The Library Zoom Room * Tuesdays at 7pm Contact: nabbey@milfordct.gov

Each week we will meet on Zoom and have casual conversations with staff. No prep work needed—just a need to connect with your fellow library lovers!

5/5: Cooking During a Pandemic

5/12: Books 5/19: Movies 5/26: TV Shows

Chat With a Scientist via Zoom * Saturday, May 9 at 1pm Contact: fdanowski@milfordct.gov

Biochemist Natalie Lindo is a virologist who will talk about emerging diseases.

Try Out Zoom * Wednesday, May 13 at 1pm Contact: dpreece@milfordct.gov



Try out Zoom in a practice session! Learn the basic do's and don'ts before meeting with your co-workers or family. Plan to use a smart phone, tablet, or a

computer with a camera and microphone.

* Email the contact to obtain the Zoom ID and password for each program.

Passport Office

Our office is currently closed and we are not accepting appointments. Please call 783-3309 with questions.

Gallery and Display Cases

Please contact our Business Office to reserve a month in our Gallery!

Children's Department



Virtual Programs

Turtle Dance Music Virtual Bubbles and Comedy Show

Thursday, May 7 at 10:30am

All ages. Join us for *The Virtual Concert: A Music, Bubble, and Comedy Show* with our friends from Turtle Dance Music. Featuring wonderful classic and original children's songs and tales, the program link will be accessible on the Milford Public Library's Facebook page. The show



engages children with songs, comedy, bubbles, and music technology. It is designed to be a fun, unique way to meet new friends. This novel 40-minute performance will be accompanied by hands-on, visual, and sensory experiences. Kids will dance, sing, laugh, use their imaginations, and connect with new friends. Reach out with any questions to <a href="majoratrial-ma

Digital Storytime Schedule

Family Storytime Wednesdays at 4pm

Join us for a story for the whole family!



Join us for songs and a story!



All storytimes will air prerecorded and be available for a limited time on our Facebook and YouTube page.

May Virtual Scavenger Hunt

It's a library scavenger hunt—at your house! Solve riddles, complete activities, and even perform an act of kindness!

Register to play at milfordlibrary.readsquared.com.

Use your Summer Reading login information if you already have an account. Reach out with any questions to mplchildren@milfordct.gov.

Spring StoryWalk

Check out the new book *Up in the Garden and Down in the Dirt* by Kate Messner, art by Christopher Silas Neal, at our StoryWalk at Eisenhower Park.



Online Family Resources from MPL

Check out the <u>Children's page</u> at <u>milfordlibrary.org</u> for a variety of online resources. From storytimes, virtual author visits, hands-on STEM, and free access to a variety of eBooks.

Reach out with any questions to mplchildren@milfordct.gov.









STEM spotlight! Click on the icons to access activities from Girls Who Code, CT Science Center and National Geographic.

YA Department

Teen Advisory Group Meeting via Zoom *

Thursday, May 7 at 6pm

Grades 9-12. Be a positive influence on your library while earning volunteer hours for school by joining TAG!

Quaran-TWEEN LEGO™ Challenge via Zoom *

Saturday, May 23 at 10:30am

Grades 4-8. Get the list of challenges upon registration and build them ahead of time. Then share them with the group and we will vote on our favorites!

Q&A Session with Milford Health Department via Zoom *

Thursday, May 28 at 6pm

Grades 6-12. Health Director Deepa Joseph will be available to answer your questions on COVID-19, what you can do as a community member, careers in public health, and more!

Contact: dvalenzano@milfordct.gov



* Email the Young Adult librarian to obtain the Zoom ID and password for each program. Visit the <u>YA page</u> for more information.

Brain Station

Learn. Create. Do.

Check out what we are printing in the Brain Station on our Ultimaker 2+.





Take a look at this N95 Mask being printed using Polypropylene

for the Connecticut 3D Print Army.

Visit the <u>Brain Station page</u> to see what other makers from around the world are creating to fight Covid-19.



Thank you to the <u>Friends of the</u> <u>Milford Library</u> for generously funding our programs.