



Library Matters

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JAMAAL EVERSLEY'S SMELLS LIKE TEEN SPIRIT *REDUX* DRISCOLL GALLERY ART SHOW

Jamaal Eversley, born in 1988, hails from Randolph, MA. With a business degree from Babson College in hand, he has decided to chase after his dreams and passionately pursue his talents as an eccentric abstract artist and intertwine business with the arts in order to serve the community. This year, he was given a grant by the Brockton Cultural Council to

produce this exhibit. He will donate half of his art sales to a scholarship benefiting a graduating Brockton High senior. Join Jamaal at his art reception in the Joseph A. Driscoll Art Gallery on November 18 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. This will be immediately followed by the "Everyone Has A Voice" poetry series. His art work will be on display until November 29.



1-4 p.m. to hear this month's featured poet, Laura Brown Lavoie, a writer, performer and educator, with Open Mic Featuring You.



"EVERYONE HAS A VOICE"

Brockton Public Library and Brockton Poet Philip Hasouris have teamed up this fall to celebrate Brockton's diversity through poetry. Join us on November 18 in the Joseph A. Driscoll Art Gallery from



COMPUTER CLASSES

Brockton Public Library Computer Savvy Classes for Beginners start this month every Monday from 1-3 p.m. in the Computer Lab on the lower level. The first class is on November 6. Learn the essentials including email, surfing the Internet, inserting graphics and

Microsoft Office. Class size is limited. Advanced registration is required. If you have any questions, please call 508-580-7890 x205.

MEET THE AUTHOR BOOK TALK

Please join us in the Joseph A. Driscoll Gallery on Saturday, November 25 from 2-5 p.m. for a presentation of the book *Granted: A Second Chance to Say This* by Brockton resident Brenda Carter-



BEHIND THE ICE BUCKET CHALLENGE

The public is invited to hear Casey Sherman and Dave Wedge tell the inspiring story from their book *The Ice Bucket Challenge: Pete Frates and the Fight Against ALS* on November 7 in the Lingos Auditorium from 6:30-7:45 p.m. Books will be available to purchase.

Massachusetts' First Immigrant Dynasty on November 28 at 7 p.m. in the Circulation Lobby at the Main Library. Light refreshments will be served



WE ARE ALL AMERICANS NOW American Immigration Dialogue Series Lecture 3

Barbara Lewis will give a talk entitled *The Royals*:

Foster. A wife, mother and grandmother, Ms. Carter-Foster hopes her passion for poetry and the content of her poems can inspire us to lead happier, more fulfilling lives despite what trials and tribulations of contemporary living may come our way.



Of Special Interest:

- The Brockton Public Library Book Group will discuss *The Leavers* by Lisa Ko on Saturday, November 18 from 10-11:45 a.m. in the Trustees Room. Books are available at the Main Circulation Desk.
- The Brockton COA Book Group will meet on Monday, November 13 at the Council on Aging from 10-11 a.m. to discuss *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf. Books are available at the Main Circulation Desk.
- Join us every Monday beginning November 13 from 12-1:30 p.m. in the Driscoll Art Gallery for our eight-week lunch time book group. Coffee Break Connect Group will be discussing *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren. Books will be provided for discussion and light refreshments will be served. All are welcome!
- Basic level one ESL classes continue this month, meeting in the Large Conference Room on Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. and the Computer Lab on Thursdays from 3-5 p.m. There will be no class on November 23 because the library is closed for Thanksgiving.



Children's Activities

***MUSIC TOGETHER (Infants-Age 5)**

A teacher from Old Colony Music Together will introduce children to a wide variety of songs, rhythm chants, movement and instrument play in an informal setting. This 45-minute class will be held at the Main Library on Thursday, November 2 at 10 a.m. Please call to sign up!

*Supported through funds from the MA Department of Early Education and Care, the Brockton Public Library and the Brockton Public Schools.

****KIDS CLUB (Infants-Age 5 and their parent/caregiver)** - If your child is not in any early childhood program, this playgroup led by a trained educator may be for you! It will be held on Tuesdays, November 14, 21, and 28 and December 5 at the East Branch from 10-11:30 a.m. Please sign up at brocktoncfce@bpsma.org or call 508-580-7491.

November Events

November 4 Main event of The Poet vs. The Rapper Competition for ages 14-19 from 11 a.m.-4:45 p.m. in the Lingos Auditorium. Light refreshments will be served.

November 6 Computer Savvy Class for Beginners from 1-3 p.m. in the Computer Lab on the lower level.

November 7 *Pete Frates and the Fight Against ALS, The Ice Bucket Challenge* book talk in the Lingos Auditorium from 6:30-7:45 p.m.

November 9 Arc reading club in the Driscoll Art Gallery from 10-11 a.m.

November 10 and 11 Brockton Public Library will be closed for Veterans Day.

New Books and Movies

Fiction

Future Home of the Living God - Louise Erdrich

Little Fires Everywhere - Celeste Ng

Manhattan Beach - Jennifer Egan

Origin - Dan Brown

The Rules of Magic - Alice Hoffman

Young Jane Young: A Novel - Gabrielle Zevin

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*****BIG RYAN'S TALL TALES (Ages 2-5)**

- Join us for Big Ryan's original stories, puppet play, a bit of music and movement and a whole lot of fun! This program is being held at the Main Library on Wednesdays, November 1, 8, 15, and 29 from 10-40:45 a.m. You may sign up for one or all four 45-minute sessions during this 4-week program. Please sign up in the Children's Room.

***Special thanks to the Brockton Library Foundation and the Brockton Public Library for funding the "Big Ryan's Tall Tales" program.

WEST BRANCH WALK-IN CRAFTS (Ages 4 and up)

- Children can visit the West Branch Library every Wednesday anytime between 2-7 p.m. to work on a craft project.

EAST BRANCH WALK-IN CRAFTS (Ages 4 and up)

- Children can visit the East Branch Library every

Thursday anytime between 3-7 p.m. to work on a craft project.

THANKSGIVING WALK-IN CRAFT (Kindergarten-Grade 6)

- Children may walk in to the Main Library anytime between 3-4:30 p.m. on Thursday, November 16 to work on a holiday project.

THE ANGRY BIRDS MOVIE

Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Enjoy a lively animated movie at the Main Library on Saturday, November 18 at 2:30 p.m. Find out why the birds are so angry. When an island populated by happy flightless birds is visited by mysterious green piggies, it's up to three unlikely outcasts-Red, Chuck and Bomb-to figure out what the pigs are up to. Rated PG. 97 minutes. Please sign up in the Children's Room.

November 13 Brockton Council on Aging Book Group will discuss *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf from 10-11 a.m. in the Council on Aging conference room.

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immediately followed by "Everyone Has a Voice" poetry series 1-4 p.m.

November 22 Brockton Public Library will close at 12 noon. The West Branch will be closed all day. Brockton Public Library will be closed on **November 23** for Thanksgiving.

November 25 Meet the Author program with Brenda Carter-Foster in the Driscoll Art Gallery from 2-5 p.m.

November 28 Lecture 3 of WE ARE ALL AMERICANS NOW American Immigration Dialogue Series at 7 p.m. in the Main Library Circulation Lobby.

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Nonfiction

Al Franken, Giant of the Senate - Al Franken

Feeling Italian: The Art of Ethnicity in America - Thomas Ferraro

Letterman: The Last Giant of Late Night - Jason Zinoman

The Story of Innovation: How Yesterday's Discoveries Lead to Tomorrow's Breakthroughs - James Trefil

Movies



The Big Sick

Churchill

47 Meters Down

Hidden Figures

No Regrets

Security