

# FRIENDS OF THE ELDREDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY 2018 SPRING LEARNING SERIES

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Sponsored by the Friends of the Eldredge Public Library (EPL), the Learning Series Program offers a wide selection of courses open to the public. All proceeds are used by the Friends to support EPL expenses and acquisitions. All classes are in the library unless otherwise noted. No refunds unless a class is cancelled. The library will be closed 2/19, 4/16, 5/28.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE SEE THE LEARNING SERIES SPRING 2018 REGISTRATION FORM  
AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY AND ONLINE.

### MONDAYS

#### **M1: Silent No More - Finding the Writer Within**

TEN SESSIONS: 12:30-2:00 Mondays 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26, 4/2, 4/9, 4/23, 4/30 Location: EPL Quiet Study Room Class limited to 10

In a relaxed atmosphere Peter Saunders facilitates as participants read and share their work and offer gentle critiquing. The only rule is that there are no rules except that you can't say anything bad about your own writing.

Author **Peter Saunders** has an M.F.A. in poetry and a Ph.D. in Narrative Gerontology. In recent years, he has published *Silent No More – Unlocking Voices of Older Poets*, *My Father's Shoes*, and nine poetry chapbooks. Peter Saunders' creative writing course inspires students to look within themselves to write poetry and prose.

#### **M2: How to Take Great Photos on your iPhone or iPad**

TWO SESSIONS: 10:30-12:00 Mondays 4/2, 4/9  
Location: EPL

A couple of expert photographers, using the ubiquitous iPhone, will provide hands-on tutoring. After some instruction and the help of great new cameras and fantastic editing apps, begin a journey to become a more creative photographer and impress your family and friends.



**Michael and Suz Karchmer** have created gallery shows featuring their extraordinary talents using the iPhone and

editing apps. They've taught at many places including the Snow Library and the Chatham iPad Club. They recently illustrated an article in Chatham Magazine.

#### **M3: Ten TED Talks:**

##### **Technology, Entertainment and Design Converge**

FIVE SESSIONS: 1:00-2:30 Mondays 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21 Location: EPL

This is a chance to engage in discussion about enlightening topics, such as creativity, genetic engineering, mindfulness, artificial intelligence, and virtual reality. TED Talks are presentations by experts in their field and recorded in front of a live audience. They are short, entertaining, and powerful videos. Elsa Bastone selects ten TED Talks and facilitates a group discussion after each one.

**Elsa Bastone**, is a retired Clinical Psychologist and a former Assistant Clinical Professor at the Yale School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry. She is the creator of the motivational enhancement program 'WINGS.' Elsa is actively involved in theater as an actress and director.

#### **M4: Can We Explain Today's American Foreign Policy?**

FOUR SESSIONS: 10:30-12:00 Mondays 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 6/4 Location: EPL

Since the end of the cold war the presidents of the United States have either, in practice or in rhetoric, searched for a strategy to undergird U.S. foreign policy that would replace containment. We will explore these alternative strategies from Bush to Trump in terms of their assumptions about the world and the place of the U.S. in it.

**Richard Finnegan** is a prominent, semi-retired professor of International Politics at Stonehill College where he taught American foreign and security policy for more than forty years. During his career he taught at Harvard, the College of Dublin, Masaryk University in the Czech Republic as a Fulbright Chair and many more colleges.

## TUESDAYS

### T1: Art of the Italian Renaissance

THREE SESSIONS: 1:30-3:00 Tuesdays 3/6, 3/13, 3/20

Location: EPL

Explore the architecture, sculpture and painting of the Italian Renaissance, both visually and culturally, from the

13th through the 16th centuries. The course highlights the brilliant artists who laid the foundation for the unparalleled creations of the High Renaissance masters: Leonardo, Michelangelo, Raphael and Bramante.



**Mary Lanctot** has a MA in art history from Rutgers University and was an Assistant Curator at the Art Institute of Chicago and an Architectural Historian for the Chicago Architecture Foundation and the states of Wisconsin and New Hampshire, and taught art history at a variety of universities.

### T2: Traveling Off the Beaten Path

THREE SESSIONS: 10:30 to 12:00 Tuesdays 3/27, 4/3, 4/10 Location: EPL

Tours and cruises are great, but you don't get to do exactly what you want. It's not hard to travel on your own, for a short time or several months. Two seasoned travelers will help you develop skills and resources to plan your vacation, even with children. We'll offer tips on destinations, places to stay, transportation, eating well, and finding things to do. Basic Internet navigation skills are needed.

**Iris Leigh** often rents apartments and visits places outside typical tourist areas.

**Alison Kaar** and her husband recently enjoyed a ten-month stay in Paris.

### T3: Creating an Inspired, Eye-Riveting Home Interior

TWO SESSIONS: 1:30-3:00 Tuesdays 4/10, 4/17

Location: EPL

Decorating a home requires countless decisions: style, colors, patterns, textures, scale and more. Interior designer Madeleine Bickert shares strategies to navigate the interior design world's detail-laden maze. She will define the top

ten decorating missteps and explain how to avoid them. She directs students to the best sources for Cape Cod furnishings, discusses coastal home-design trends and explains how to select the best color palette.

**Madeline Bickert**, M.B.A., is a credentialed designer. She established Décor Rx in 2005 and has assisted Cape Cod homeowners for more than a decade. She is a frequent contributor to the Cape Cod Times newspaper and regional lifestyle magazines. She frequently speaks on home decorating.

### T4: The Great Bird Migration on Cape Cod

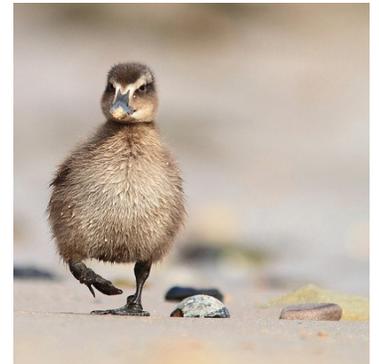
FOUR SESSIONS: Classroom: 7:00-8:30 pm Tuesdays 4/24, 5/1 Location: EPL

Saturday Field trips: 8-11am 4/28, 5/5 Location: EPL & Outdoors

This is an exciting opportunity to learn about local and returning migrant birds – both shore and woods.

Participants should have their own binoculars, but don't buy any until after the first session. Indoor classes will include images, books, and handouts. Outdoor sessions are on foot but not terribly vigorous.

**David Clapp** is an international tour leader for Smithsonian Journeys, leading tours to Africa, the Galapagos, Australia, Panama, and New Zealand. He has worked in land conservation and habitat management for the Massachusetts Audubon Society.



### T5: Children in WW II: Growing Up in War Torn Europe

TWO SESSIONS: 1:30-3:00 Tuesdays 5/1, 5/8

Location: EPL

Jerry Karter and Ad Vos were from the Netherlands and lived through the German occupation in WWII. Juris Ukstins left Latvia for Germany to escape invading Russians and spent five years in post-war Europe in displaced persons camps. They saw the war not just through children's eyes, but also through the experiences of parents, friends, and neighbors.

**Jerry Karter** was President of a French reinsurer's US subsidiary and the Executive Director of the Cape Symphony and Conservatory.

**Arend (Ad) Vos** was President of PPG Asia/Pacific and a member of the Orleans Conservation Trust and Architectural Review Committee.

**Juris Ukstins** was 30 years with the Department of the Navy, and Director of Naval Warfare, Office of the Secretary of Defense.

### T6: Exotic Wars: The Struggle for the Kaiser's African Colonies, 1914 – 1918

THREE SESSIONS: 10:30-12:00 Tuesdays 5/8, 5/15, 5/22 Location: EPL

Military history expert Michael McNaught leads this seminar on an often overlooked part of World War I: the campaigns to wrest the German colonies of Africa from the Kaiser's grip. This effort produced Germany's only undefeated general, the remarkable Paul von Lettow-Vorbeck. Vastly outnumbered, he conducted a successful guerrilla campaign in East Africa and surrendered only after the signing of the armistice.



**Michael McNaught** earned BA and MA degrees from Oxford University in military history and the theory of war. He has an MA from Columbia. He was a schoolteacher and administrator for 44 years. Now retired, he is in demand as a lecturer in the Cape Cod region.

### T7: Golf at Eastward Ho!: Short Game School

TWO SESSIONS FOR EACH GROUP: Tuesdays 5/8, 5/15 Location: Eastward Ho!

Group 1: 2:00-3:00 May 8 and May 15

Group 2: 3:15-4:15 May 8 and May 15

Each group is limited to 6 students. Clubs will be provided for those who need them. Golf attire is required.

Join Andy Walkley at Eastward Ho! for two one-hour sessions of short game instruction. Students will learn a variety of short game techniques including low shots, high shots, putting, bunkers, and pitching.



**Andy Walkley** is a PGA

Assistant Professional at Eastward Ho! and

has been honored by the Cape Cod Chapter of the New England PGA for his teaching skills.

### T8: Financial Wisdom

TWO SESSIONS: 1:30-3:00 Tuesdays 5/15, 5/22

Location: EPL

There are many things to keep in mind for your estate, legally and financially, in your retirement. This course will demystify some of the critical legal and financial strategies you need to know. The first session will cover the popular tools and pitfalls of estate planning, as well as discuss

investment income in your retirement. The second session will focus on the popular topic of long-term care, from both legal and financial perspectives.

Presented by local attorney, **Darlene Pitt**, with financial input from **Thomas Langway**, a local investment advisor with Rockland Trust.

### T9: Three Distinguished Chatham Authors

THREE SESSIONS: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays 5/15, 5/22, 5/29 Location: EPL

5/15 **Bob Staake** describes the multi-faceted process of writing and illustrating stories for children with his latest book, *The Book of Gold*. Bob is a New Yorker cover artist, and an author/illustrator of 65 children's books.

5/22 **John Whelan** tells how he created *I am of Cape Cod*, interviewing 200 people, and how he moved the project along. John is a retired stockbroker, writes a monthly column for the *Cape Cod Chronicle*, and hosts an Oldies Rock and Roll show on WOMR-FM.

5/29 **Bernard Cornwell** discusses Shakespeare, the theater industry in the late 1500s, and his recent bestseller, *Fools and Mortals*. Bernard Cornwell was born and educated in London, and worked for BBC TV for ten years. He has written over 50 novels.

### T10: Garden Pleasures: Decorating Your Garden

TWO SESSIONS: 10:30-12:00 Tuesdays 5/29, 6/5

Location: EPL

During the two sessions Karen will discuss the idea of decorating your garden. The use of decorative forms offers a flexible way to define spaces, add seasonal touches and experiment with unique and surprising ideas. It's time to get excited about your summer garden.



**Karen Moore** has been in the floral business for over forty years. She is a gardening consultant who works with her husband in the family landscaping business.

## WEDNESDAYS

### W1: The Nature of Poetry and Vice Versa.

FIVE SESSIONS: 10:30-12:00 Wednesdays 3/21, 3/28, 4/4, 4/11, 4/18 Location: EPL

Poetry can be an exciting subject to explore. Themes of spirituality, mindfulness, transcendence, the cosmos, and serendipity will be highlighted in the works of Emily Dickinson, Elizabeth Bishop, Mary Oliver, Billy Collins, and A.R. Ammons.

**Matthew Joyce**, M.Ed., Boston College and **Kerry Brown**, Ph.D. University of Delaware. Before retiring, Matt and Kerry taught at the high school level for over forty years, and both have teamed up to teach several adult courses at Eldredge and Snow Libraries.

## W2: Origins of the Great American Songbook

FIVE SESSIONS: 1:30-3:00 Wednesdays 4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2

Location: Chatham Community Center, large meeting room

In this popular course Steve Bornemeier and John Whelan take students on a tour of The Great American Songbook of pop songs and jazz from the early Twentieth Century. They review composers and lyricists of the period including Irving Berlin, George and Ira Gershwin, Cole Porter, Richard Rodgers, Lorenz Hart, Jerome Kern, Oscar Hammerstein II, Johnny Mercer, and others. Songs will be performed by a variety of singers.

**John Whelan, B.S.**, is the host of an Oldies Rock and Roll show on WOMR-FM radio. **Steve Bornemeier, M.A.**, has taught adult education classes locally. For four years they have teamed up to present classes for the LSP on the Great American Songbook.

## W3: The Hungry Traveler — Visiting New Lands Via Their Kitchens

FIVE SESSIONS: 9:00 a.m. / Film begins at 10:00 a.m. Wednesdays 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30 Location: The Orpheum Theater

Once again **Carol Yindra** will lead a culinary tour of countries through documentary films ranging from the art of catering in Lebanon to the struggles of fishermen on both sides of the Atlantic to bring their catch to restaurant tables. There will also be visits with the great chef James Beard; with a notorious wine counterfeiter; and with the finest sushi preparer in the world. The class will take place in the Chatham Orpheum Theater and food will be available before and after each screening.

**Carol Yindra** has been teaching in the Learning Series for many years, and the films she has carefully selected have delighted audiences from the start.

## THURSDAYS

## Th1: Will the Real Mary Please Stand Up? In Search of Mary Magdalene

FOUR SESSIONS: 2:00-3:30 Thursdays 2/15, 2/22, 3/1, 3/15 Location: EPL Friends' Room

Class limited to 14

Discover the woman at the heart of Christianity. The discussion will center on the many portraits of Mary, from the canonical gospels, the Gospels of Thomas, the Gospel of Mary Magdalene, and Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*. The main text will be *The Meaning of Mary Magdalene* by Cynthia Bourgeault.

**Vincent Gulotta** is a graduate of The Berkshire School. He has a B.A. in philosophy from Siena College and a Masters in Divinity from St. John's Seminary.

## Th2: Shakespeare's Hamlet

FIVE SESSIONS: 7:00-8:30 p.m. Thursdays 4/12, 4/19, 4/26, 5/3, 5/10 Location: EPL

Kerry Brown, Shakespearean expert and lecturer, leads students on an insightful exploration of *Hamlet*, the first of Shakespeare's greatest tragedies. A primary focus of the course will be Benedict Cumberbatch's highly acclaimed and transformative film performance of the central role. Kerry will show the film in its entirety along with other interpretations including those of Laurence Olivier and Derek Jacobi.

**Kerry Brown, B.A., M.A., and Ph.D.**, taught Shakespeare to high school students for 45 years and more recently to adults for the last 13 years.



## Th3: How the Women of WWII Got It Started: Changes in Aviation and in Their View of What They Could Do

FOUR SESSIONS: 2:00-3:30 Thursdays 6/7, 6/14, 6/21, 6/28 Location: EPL

The 1940s women aviation pioneers left the home, entered the workforce and had an enormous effect on women's roles today.

1: **Steve Emery and Dorothy Basset** will present **Rosie the Riveter: Women Taking on New Roles and Ideas**. Steve volunteers as a Master Host and new exhibit project leader at the Chatham Marconi Maritime Center (Marconi Center). Dorothy is the Center's Director of Operations.

2: **Emery** will also present **Breaking Barriers: The Women Airforce Service Pilots of WWII**.

3: **Dick Kraycir**, the President of the Marconi Center museum will present **The Best Pilot in the Country in Her Time**, the story of Jackie Cochran, the first woman to break the sound barrier flying along with Chuck Yeager.

4: **Katie Waters**, a retired 737 Pilot for Southwest Airlines, will present **What Hath Rosie Wrought? Woman in Today's Military Aviation: Astronauts, Air Force Captains, Army Helicopters and more**.



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