



Sharon Public Library Monthly Newsletter

August 2026



Announcements



Sharon Celebrates America's 250th

In collaboration with the Sharon Historical Society (SHS), the Sharon Public Library (SPL) is excited to share a 250th anniversary event series running **May through August**, with additional programs planned for the Fall.

[\[View the full lineup in the flyer linked here!\]](#)

Online Spotlight



Virtual Author Talks

In partnership with the Library Speakers Consortium

Enjoy a range of talks from bestselling authors and thought leaders. Our Library subscription includes adult fiction and non-fiction authors. Our patrons also have access to all categories

in the archives/"Past Speakers" section, including "Cooking/Food, Health & Wellness, K-12, and Variety and Lifestyle.

August Events

Tuesday, August 24 at 2:00 PM (EDT)

The Legacy of Julia Child's Kitchen with Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson

Thursday, August 27 at 2:00 PM EDT

High Altitudes and High Stakes: A Miss Marple Mystery with Lucy Foley

[More Info Here](#)



Over 100 Live, Interactive Weekly Fitness Classes for FREE!

Want to refresh your workout routine without going to a gym or a studio? Or are you starting from scratch? *ompractice* gives you access to tons of live scheduled classes weekly, ranging from strength training and yoga to tai chi and meditation, in the comfort of your own home. These are virtual, interactive, camera-on classes with a teacher, but there is also a video library of recorded classes you can follow on your own time.

The first step is creating an *ompractice* account with your library card. Once an account is created, you can log into your account anytime.

August Highlights:

- August 18 @ 7PM: Special Class: Breathwork for Sleep with Eric
- August 20 @ 7PM: Special Class: Intro to Mind Body Awareness with Niki

Monthly Challenge: The Summer Stretch. Make the most of the dog days of summer! This August, take 3 classes focused on flexibility and mobility.

[More Info Here](#)



Celebrate America's 250th with Digital Collections



In celebration of America's 250th, our digital collections are featuring special themed content highlighting American history, culture, and significant moments from the nation's past.

- **Kanopy** - Explore the American History Collection, featuring documentaries and films that bring the nation's history to life.
- **Hoopla** - Browse a curated America's 250th collection of ebooks, audiobooks, movies, and more.
- **OverDrive/Libby** - Discover books and resources related to America's 250th through our digital collection.

Visit your favorite digital library service to explore these special collections and commemorate our nations' historic milestone!

Upcoming Programs



Virtual

Celebrating America's 250th: "The Convention" with author Lars D. H. Hedbor

Monday, August 3 | 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
via Zoom

We're thrilled to welcome author and historian Lars D. H. Hedbor who will be discussing his book, "The Convention: Tales From a Revolution" which centers on the Convention Army, captured at Saratoga, and initially marched across to Cambridge.

In partnership with Ashland Public Library.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



In-person

Office Hours with Town of Sharon's Energy Advocate

Tuesday, August 4 | 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Rose Study Room 105

Meet with the Town of Sharon's Energy Advocate, Julie Barbour-Issa, for help navigating Mass Save®, scheduling a free Home Energy Assessment, and finding rebates, loans, and programs for which you may qualify. Appointments can also cover income-eligible benefits like fuel assistance and discount rates.

Appointments are 20 minutes long and can be scheduled by calling Julie at **781-390-9913** or by **registering online** at the link below.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



Virtual

Celebrating America's 250th: "Act Worthy of Yourselves" with author Salina B. Baker

Monday, August 10 | 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
via Zoom

We're thrilled to welcome author Salina B. Baker who will be discussing her book, "Act Worthy of Yourselves: A Novel of Dr. Joseph Warren and an American

Rebellion".

In partnership with Ashland Public Library.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



Virtual
**The History Of
Faneuil Hall & Quincy Market**

Tuesday, August 18 | 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM
via Zoom

Discover the hidden history of Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market with author Susan Mara Bregman. Learn the fascinating stories behind two of Boston's most iconic landmarks.

Presented in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library with additional funding from the Friends of the Sharon Public Library.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



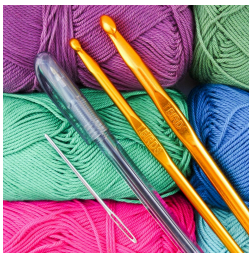
Virtual
**Celebrating 250 -- American Revolutionary
Painter John Trumbull**

Thursday, August 20 | 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM
via Zoom

Explore the life and legacy of John Trumbull, known as "The Painter of the Revolution." Discover how his iconic works captured the heroic moments of the American Revolutionary War with art historian Martha Chiarchiaro, owner of Seeing History.

Presented in partnership with the Tewksbury Public Library with additional funding from the Friends of the Sharon Public Library.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



In-person

Beginner Crochet for Adults

Thursday, August 20 | 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM
Community Room A

Join Archivist Arielle for a beginner crochet workshop covering chains, single, and double crochet stitches. All materials provided. **Limited to 10 participants.**

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



In-person

250 Years of American History through Film Part 1: 1989's Glory - The First, The Fallen

Monday, August 24 | 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Community Room A & B

1989's "Glory" is the true story of the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry regiment, the first Black regiment in the Civil War, and the hardships they faced as they readied for the assault on Fort Wagner. In addition to a screening of the film, presenter Frank Mandosa will offer background context, the facts vs. the fiction, and behind-the-scenes information about the production.

Funded by a gift from Andrew Carnegie Foundation as part of Carnegie Libraries 250, a special initiative celebrating the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)



Virtual

Celebrating 250 -- Revolutionary Sites & Remnants Of Colonial New York City

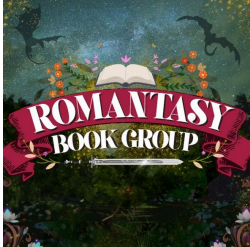
Tuesday, August 25 | 2:00 PM to 3:15 PM
via Zoom

Discover New York City's hidden Revolutionary history! Explore forgotten 18th-century sites, including the first battle of the American Revolution, the oldest home in Manhattan, and more with Ginny Poleman of New York City Encounters.

In partnership with Tewksbury Public Library.

[More Info Here - Registration Required](#)

In-person



Romantasy Book Group

Wednesday, August 26 | 6:30 PM to 7:45 PM
Cheyer ESOL Room 201

This drop-in book group is designed for readers who enjoy fantasy stories where romance plays a central role. Instead of assigning a single book each month, the group operates as a genre-based discussion space. Participants are welcome to dive into any of this month's recommended titles or bring along any romantasy book that catches their eye.

For more information, contact Emily Greco at egreco@sharon.ocln.org

[More Info Here - No Registration Required](#)

Out of the Archives

A History of the Stoughtonham Furnace in Brief by Arielle Nathanson

In 1983, the Sharon Historical Society assisted with an archaeological dig right here in Sharon. What they found were pieces of the very molds used to cast the first cannons in the United States.

Edmund Quincy, Colonel Richard Gridley and Joseph Jackson had purchased Lake Massapoag in 1770, only a handful of years before the Revolution broke out. They quickly realized that the ore mined from the lake was of high quality.

[Read the Full Article Here](#)

Ongoing Programs



Sharon Public Library Book Discussion Group

In-person

The SPL Book Discussion Group meets September to June on the 4th Thursday of each month @ 1:00 PM in Community Room B. No registration required and no obligation to attend all meetings. We read across many genres and enjoy lively discussion!

The Book Group is on break for the summer.

Meetings will resume in September!

Contact Susan Eggimann | seggimann@sharon.ocln.org | 781-784-1578 ext.1450

No Registration Required



In-person

Casual Crafting

Tuesday, August 25 | 6:30-7:45 PM
Community Room B

Bring your current craft project or use some of the supplies we'll have on hand. Drop by any time from **6:30-7:45 PM in Community Room B.**

No Registration Required

Youth Services



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