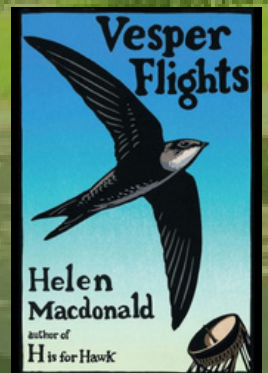


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# Summer Reads

Find something new to read!

More staff book picks for all ages inside!



# Welcome to Summer 2021 at the Morse!

We are so excited to offer you the very first edition of our Summer Reads magazine! Our librarians have chosen some of the very best books for you to enjoy this summer, from beach reads to thrillers to great new nonfiction.

We hope our selections get you inspired to enjoy longer days in the great outdoors this summer! Look for the headphones icon next to titles with great audiobook versions to enjoy on the go.

And be sure to join us for our community read of *How to Be a Good Creature*, with a special author visit from Sy Montgomery sponsored by the Friends of the Morse Institute Library!

## Start Here! Tails & Tales in the Wild Kingdom

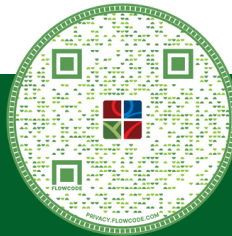
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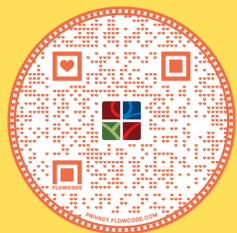
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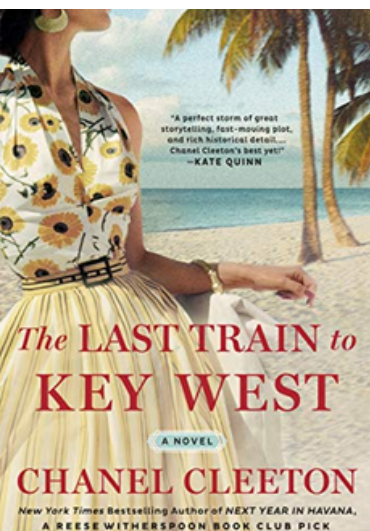


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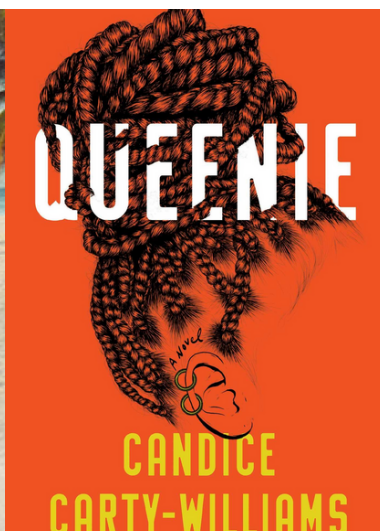
# BEACH READS

Adult



**The Last Train to Key West**  
Chanel Cleeton

In 1935 three women are forever changed when one of the most powerful hurricanes in history barrels toward the Florida Keys. Over the course of the holiday weekend, the women's paths cross unexpectedly, and the danger swirling around them is matched only by the terrifying force of the deadly storm threatening the Keys.



**Queenie**  
Candice Carty-Williams

Queenie Jenkins is a 25-year-old Jamaican British woman living in London, straddling two cultures and slotting neatly into neither. After a messy break up, Queenie seeks comfort in all the wrong places . . . including several hazardous men. As Queenie careens from one questionable decision to another, she finds herself wondering, 'What are you doing? Why are you doing it? Who do you want to be?'



**Beach Read**  
Emily Henry

A romance writer who no longer believes in love and a literary writer stuck in a rut engage in a summer-long challenge that may just upend everything they believe about happily ever afters. Augustus is an acclaimed author of literary fiction. January writes bestselling romance. They strike a deal designed to force them out of their creative ruts: Augustus will spend the summer writing something happy, and January will pen the next Great American Novel.



**28 Summers**  
Elin Hilderbrand

When Mallory Blessing's son, Link, receives deathbed instructions from his mother to call a number on a slip of paper in her desk drawer, he's not sure what to expect. But he certainly does not expect Jake McCloud to answer. 28 Summers explores the agony and romance of a one-weekend-per-year affair and the dramatic ways this relationship complicates and enriches their lives, and the lives of the people they love.



**Love Your Life**  
Sophie Kinsella

At a remote writers' retreat in coastal Italy, Ava, now going by "Aria," meets "Dutch," a man who seems too good to be true. The two embark on a baggage-free, whirlwind love affair, cliff-jumping into gem-colored Mediterranean waters and exploring the splendor of the Italian coast. Things are perfect until they return to London, as their real selves- Ava and Matt. As their fantasy starts to fade, they discover just how different their personal worlds are.



**The Honey-Don't List**  
Christina Lauren

Home remodeling and design gurus Melissa and Rusty Tripp are America's favorite couple- but they can't stand each other. While road-tripping with the Tripps up the West Coast, their assistants Carey and James vow to work together to keep their bosses' secrets hidden, and their own jobs secure.



**The Switch**  
Beth O'Leary

Ordered to take a two-month sabbatical after blowing a big presentation at work, Leena escapes to her grandmother Eileen's house for some overdue rest. Newly single and about to turn 80, Eileen would like a second chance at love. But her tiny Yorkshire village doesn't offer many eligible gentlemen, so Leena proposes a solution: a house swap.



**Big Summer**  
Jennifer Weiner

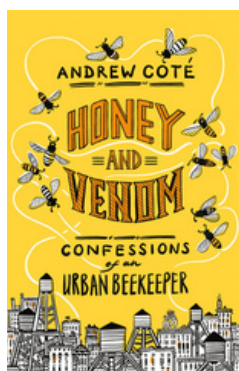
Six years after the fight that ended their friendship, Daphne is shocked when Drue walks back into her life with a massive favor to ask- if Daphne will be her maid-of-honor at the society wedding of the summer. When Drue begs and pleads Daphne finds herself powerless as ever to resist her friend's siren song.



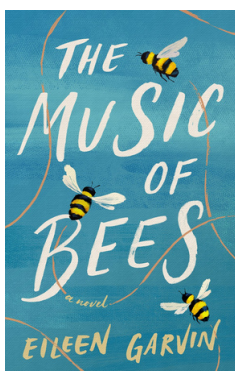


# THE secret garden

THE Bees knees



*Honey and Venom*  
Andrew Côté



*The Music of Bees*  
Eileen Garvin

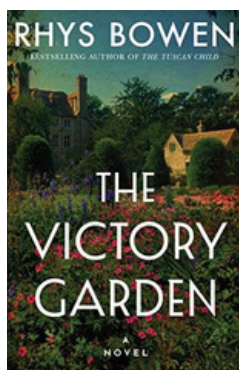


*The Honey Farm*  
Harriet Alida Lye

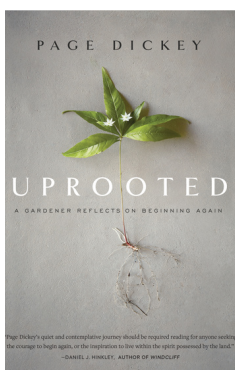


*The Murmur of Bees*  
Sofia Segovia

Garden FRESH



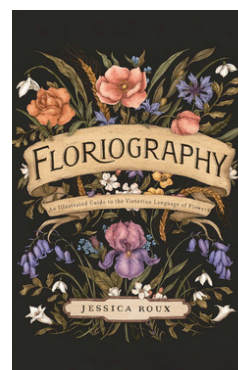
*The Victory Garden*  
Rhys Bowen



*Uprooted*  
Page Dickey



*The Last Garden in England*  
Julia Kelley



*Floriography*  
Jessica Roux

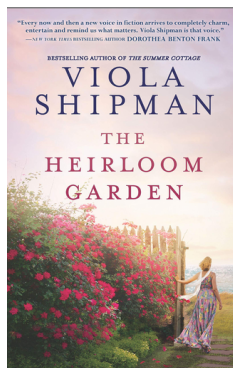
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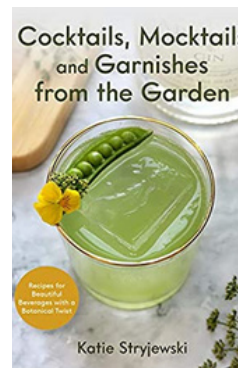
*The Campout Cookbook*  
Marnie Hanel  
& Jen Stevenson



*Wild Tea*  
Nick Moyle  
& Richard Hood

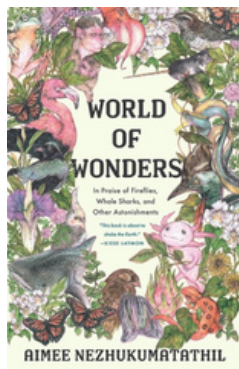


*The Heirloom Garden*  
Viola Shipman

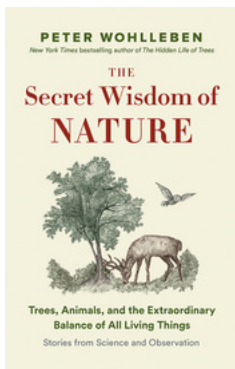


*Cocktails, Mocktails and  
Garnishes from the Garden*  
Katie Stryjewski

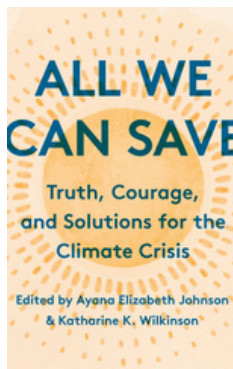
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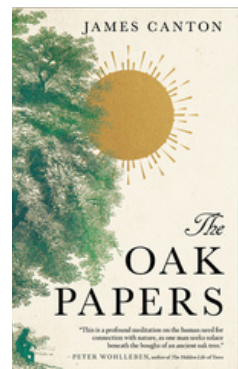
*World of Wonders*  
Aimee Nezhukumatathil



*The Secret Wisdom of  
Nature*  
Peter Wohlleben



*All We Can Save*  
Ayana Elizabeth Johnson &  
Katharine K. Wilkinson

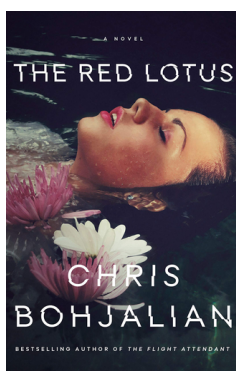


*The Oak Papers*  
James Canton

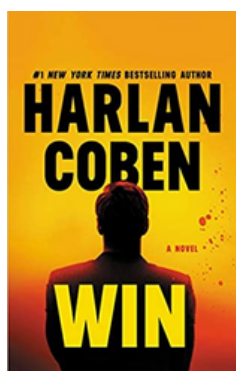
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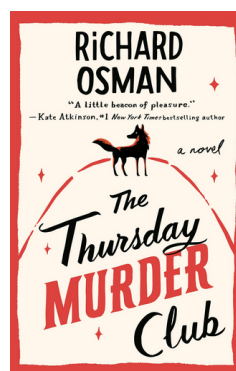
*The Red Lotus*  
Chris Bohjalian



*Win*  
Harlan Coben

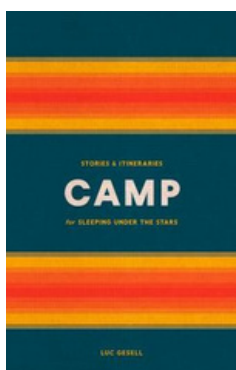


*Moonflower Murders*  
Anthony Horowitz

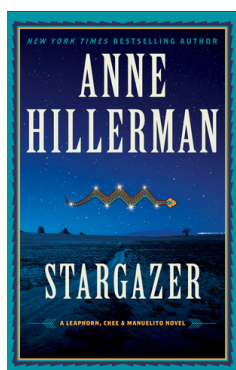


*The Thursday Murder Club*  
Richard Osman

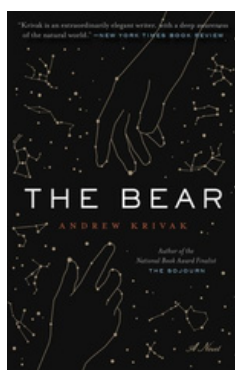
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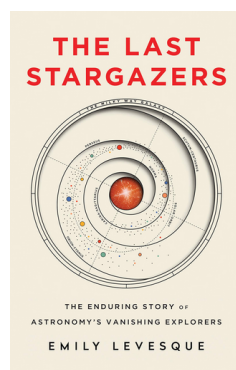
*Camp*  
Luc Gesell



*Stargazer*  
Anne Hillerman



*The Bear*  
Andrew Krivak



*The Last Stargazers*  
Emily Levesque

STARRY NIGHT



*Leave the World Behind*  
Rumaan Alam



*The Guest List*  
Lucy Foley



*The River*  
Peter Heller

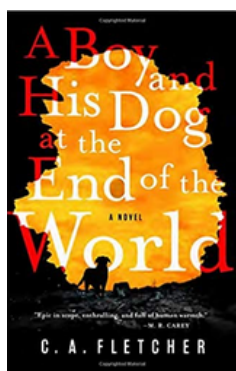


*One by One*  
Ruth Ware

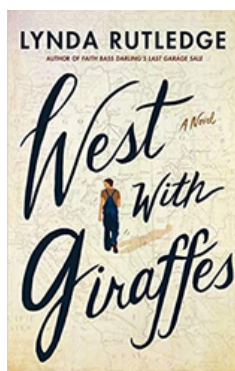
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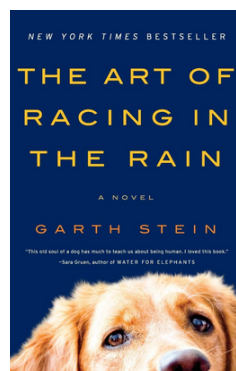
*The Travelling Cat Chronicles*  
Hiro Arikawa



*A Boy and His Dog at the End of the World*  
C.A. Fletcher



*West With Giraffes*  
Lynda Rutledge



*The Art of Racing in the Rain*  
Garth Stein

MAN'S BEST FRIEND



# Explore a New World

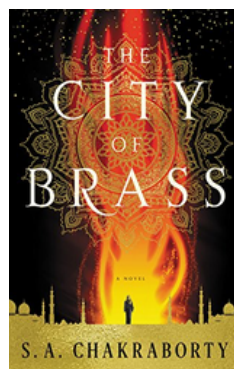
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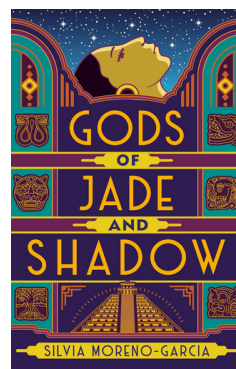
*The Bear and the Nightingale*  
Katherine Arden



*Love In Colour*  
Bolu Babalola



*City of Brass*  
S.A. Chakrabarty



*Gods of Jade and Shadow*  
Silvia Moreno-Garcia

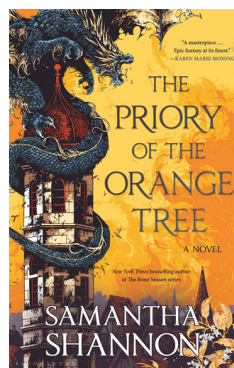
## On a Dragon



*Highfire*  
Eoin Colfer



*Queen of the Tearling*  
Erika Johansen

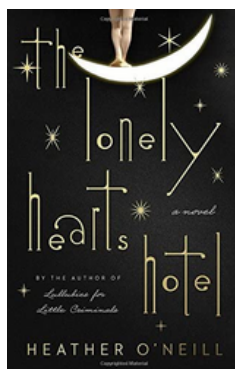


*The Priory of the Orange Tree*  
Samantha Shannon



*Heartstone*  
Elle Katherine White

## Admit One



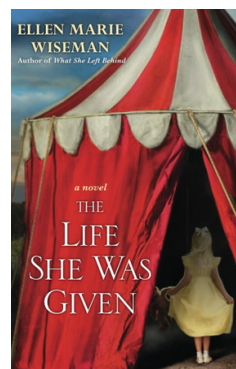
*The Lonely Hearts Hotel*  
Heather O'Neill



*The Ladies of the Secret Circus*  
Constance Sayers



*Menagerie*  
Rachel Vincent



*The Life She Was Given*  
Ellen Marie Wiseman

## Fairytales Reimagined



*The Witch's Heart*  
Genevieve Gornichec



*Uprooted*  
Naomi Novik



*The Beast's Heart*  
Leife Shallcross



*All the Ever Afters*  
Danielle Teller

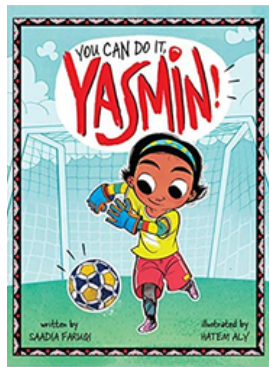
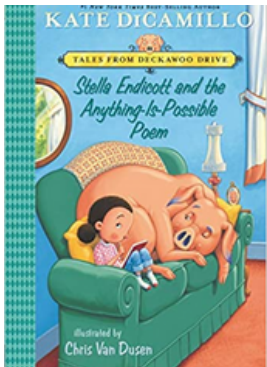
# SUMMER SNEAK PEEKS

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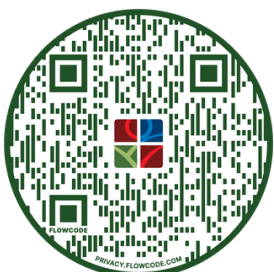
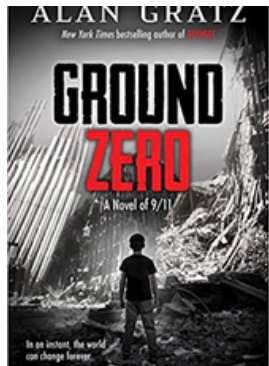
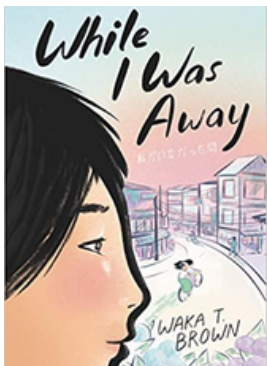
Picture Books



Emerging Readers



Older Readers



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# COOL NEW TITLES

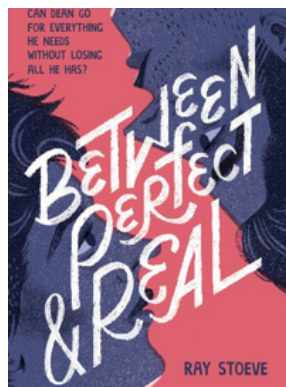
Looking for more great reads? Scan the QR code, which will bring you to our Teen & Tween Booklists!



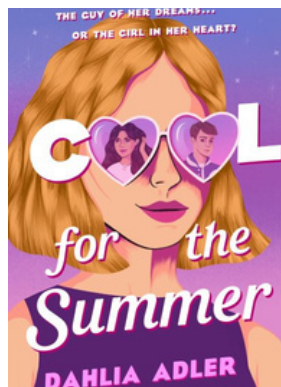
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**AFTERSHOCKS**  
BY MARISA REICHARDT



**BETWEEN PERFECT & REAL**  
BY RAY STOEVE



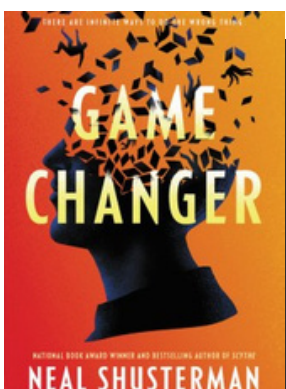
**COOL FOR THE SUMMER**  
BY DAHLIA ADLER



**THE COST OF KNOWING**  
BY BRITNEY MORRIS



**FOR BETTER OR CURSED**  
BY KATE WILLIAMS



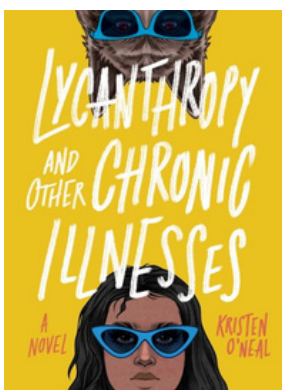
**GAME CHANGER**  
BY NEAL SHUSTERMAN



**THE GILDED ONES**  
BY NAMINA FORNA



**THE INFINITY COURTS**  
BY AKEMI DAWN BOWMAN



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BY KRISTEN O'NEAL



**THE ONES WE'RE MEANT TO FIND**  
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**THE SKY BLUES**  
BY ROBBIE COUCH



**WHAT BIG TEETH**  
BY ROSE SZABO

# NEW MANGA + COMICS



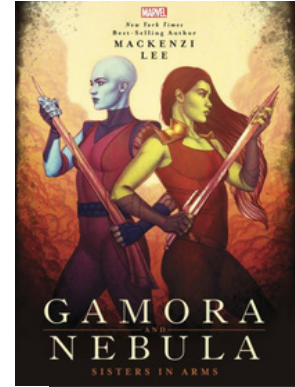
**TEEN TITANS:  
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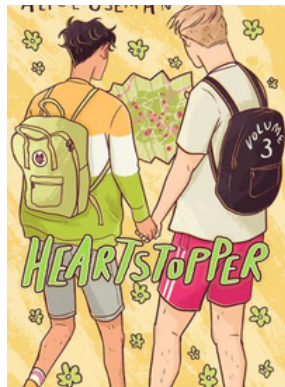
**DR. STONE REBOOT:  
BYAKUYA**



**GAMORA/NEBULA:  
SISTERS IN ARMS**



**GHOSTLY THINGS**



**HEARTSTOPPER**



**KOMI CAN'T  
COMMUNICATE**



**MAMA AKUMA**



**MY HERO ACADEMIA:  
TEAM-UP MISSIONS**



**QUINCREDIBLE**



**SOLO LEVELING**



**TOILET-BOUND  
HANAKO-KUN**

# June–August 2021

# Adult Summer Programs

## June 2021

### 6/8: Passport Special: Picnic Spots Around the World

- Join Research Librarians Karol Bartlett and Kristen Sheridan for this special edition of passports about Picnics!

### 6/15: Ted Reinstein Presents: Wicked Pissed!

- From the colonial era, through early aviation, to Red Sox–Yankees and present-day food fights, Ted Reinstein tells us who's really "Wicked Pissed" in New England, and why.

### 6/16: Eight Flavors of Cocktail History

- Join Culinary Historian, Sarah Lohman, for an exciting tour through time.

### 6/24: Beatrix Potter: The Woman Behind the Rabbit

- Betsy Bray presents a delightful biography of the life of Beatrix Potter with photographs and illustrations connecting Potter's history with contemporary updates for context.

### 6/27: How to Write a Blues Song: Stopping Time

- Create music with poetry. Join Taylor Lena McTootle to learn about the relationship between blues and poetry.

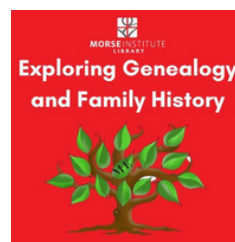
### 6/29: Fashion in Fiction

- Fashion in Fiction is a delightful show-and-tell on the clothing of Regency England as reflected in Jane Austen's life and in her novels.

### 6/30: The Russian Nesting Doll

- From the doll's humble beginnings as a children's toy to a collectable work of art, this program explores the evolution on the doll, with an emphasis on the folktale and storytelling dolls.

Keep an eye out for these  
monthly programs!



# June–August 2021

# Adult Summer Programs

## July 2021

### 7/8: Tales & Tails of the Boston Harbor Islands

- The Boston Harbor Islands are places of many tales...and tails! Join Island Volunteer Marguerite Krupp as she shares stories of some of the furred, flippered, feathered, AND human folks who lived on or visited the Islands.

### 7/20: Cape Cod Modern House Trust

- Betsy Bray will present an illustrated talk about mid-century modern houses built on the outer Cape in the 50's and 60's, and focus on the work of the Cape Modern House Trust.

### 7/21: The Endangered Apples of New England

- Join Culinary Historian, Sarah Lohman, as we explore the historical characters that brought good cider to America and the contemporary cider makers who hope to preserve these apples.

### 7/27: Learn to Tell a Great Tale!

- Taught by professional storyteller, Joey Talbert, this course will teach storytelling techniques with a variety of exercises designed to help us develop our unique voices and let out our inner teller. There are four sessions of this program occurring on 7/27, 8/3, 8/10, and 8/17.

### 7/28: Summer Tails: Lobster Tails & Cocktails

- Join Liz Barbour from The Creative Feast for this delicious virtual cooking class all about your summer favorites, lobster tails and cocktails!

## August 2021

### 8/5: Outdoor Concert: The History of Women in Country Music 1920–1960

- Join us on the front lawn for a socially distant outdoor concert!

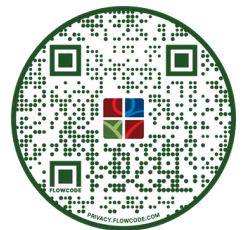
### 8/6: Author visit with Sy Montgomery

- Join us as we sit down with author, Sy Montgomery, and discuss the memoir *How to Be a Good Creature*.

### 8/12: Prohibition and Repeal

- Join Tammy's Tastings for a night about prohibition and repeal!

Scan code for  
our full calendar!



# Summer 2021

# Natick's Community Read



How to Be a Good Creature  
by Sy Montgomery



Becoming a Good Creature  
by Sy Montgomery

**Join us on Friday, August 6th as we sit down virtually  
with bestselling author, *Sy Montgomery!***

The Library will be handing out free copies of  
How to Be a Good Creature and Becoming a Good Creature  
starting June 7th as part of our summer community read.

To register for this event, head to our Summer Program Calendar at  
[www.morseinstitute.libguides.com/digital-branch](http://www.morseinstitute.libguides.com/digital-branch)

