

Stoneham Public Library

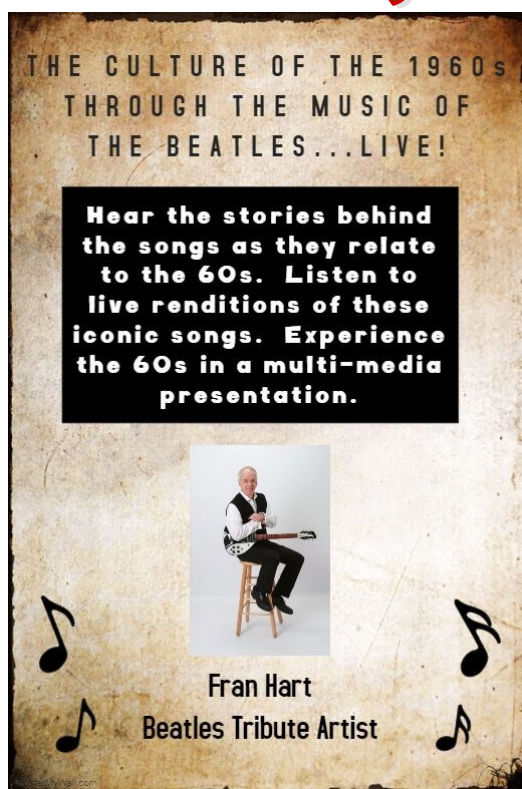
Newsletter



Stoneham Library
Where Community Begins

July/August 2019

BEATLES MULTIMEDIA EVENT WITH PRESENTER FRAN HART JULY 26TH, 2PM



This program is supported in part by a grant from the Stoneham Cultural Council, a local agency which is supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



Power of culture

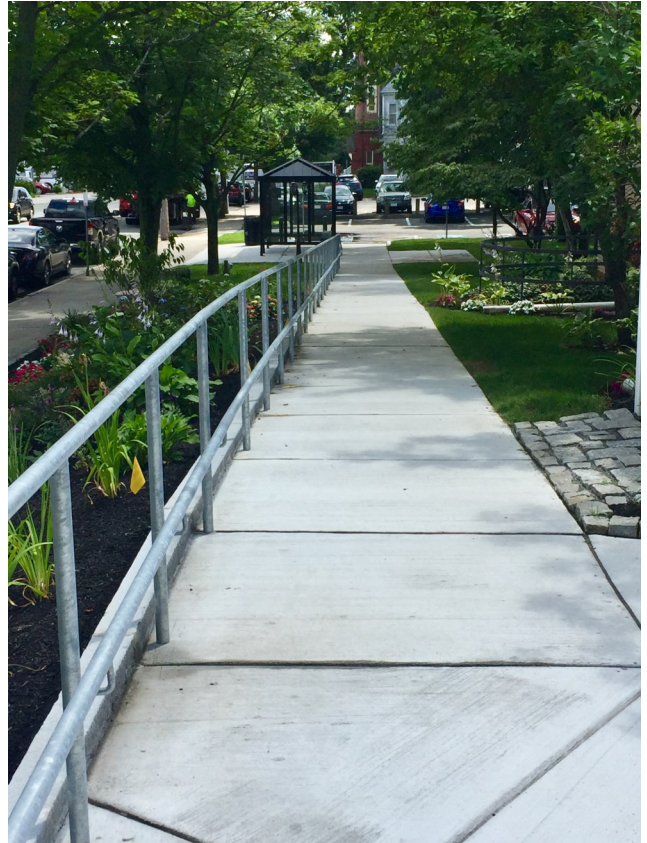
New Library Access Ramp



On behalf of the Library staff, the Library Board of Trustees, and indeed many of the residents of Stoneham, I would like to thank Representative Michael Day for his efforts on our behalf. He proposed an earmark for the FY19 State budget, to study and improve handicapped accessibility to the Stoneham Public Library.

The \$50,000 was disseminated by the Mass Board of Library Commissioners through a construction grant, and the Board of Trustees and I considered a few different project ideas. Ultimately, the funds were used as follows: to repave the walkway, to install a railing and two new lampposts, and finally to replace landscaping and irrigation lines that were unavoidably damaged during the rest of the project.

The Board, Library staff, and I have received numerous comments saying how nice the front of the building looks and also how the railing and repaved walkway have made it infinitely easier for many of our patrons with mobility challenges to enter and exit the building. Library staff and I have mentioned to anyone who asked that Representative Day was the primary impetus behind our receiving the funds.



The Board of Trustees and I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the many people and organizations who were integral parts of the project, including Larry Brophy and Stoneham's Dept of Public Works, Groundmasters Corp., LaRovere Companies, Lawhorn Irrigation, and Quinn Electrical. However, I would also encourage residents and library users to call or email Representative Day's office and thank him directly! See the contact info from his website below:

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Nicole Langley, Director

LIBRARY RECEIVES \$15,000 LSTA GRANT

Makerspace/Idea Lab

The Library will receive a \$15,000 Library Services and Technology Act grant, a federal grant as administered by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. This grant will provide the library with a great new makerspace.

The Stoneham Public Library's Idea Lab will provide opportunities for the entire community to obtain invaluable skills for the 21st century in such areas as basic coding, problem solving, and creativity. These resources are not available to the majority of our patrons in any other venue. The Library will partner with the Stoneham Public Schools, Community Access TV, and the Senior Center to provide these wonderful resources to all ages. In addition to learning these skills through the Lab, high school student volunteers will fulfill their community service requirement by teaching coding to children and seniors as well as enhance their cooperation and leadership skills. Children will be trained in a structured environment, but also allowed to explore and have fun with these new resources. The Lab will fulfill a community need for teens, children, adults, and seniors needing a creative outlet, and skills for the 21st century.



Example of the makerspace furniture to be purchased with LSTA funds.

JUNIOR ROOM EVENTS

Rockin' Musical Summer Fun July 23rd, 10:30AM



Join us for a "Rockin" good time! Marcos Valles will have you up on your feet with Music, dancing and singing for the whole family. This will be a Unique interactive musical program. Live guitar, instrument show and tell, free style dance and Spanish language.

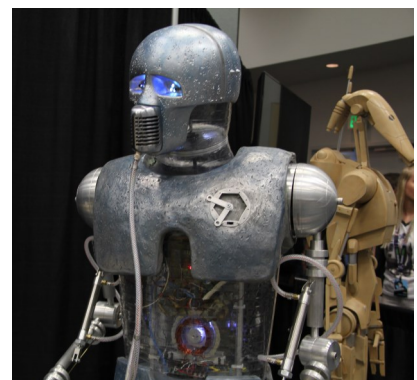
😊 WEATHER PERMITTING this event will be held outside on the Library lawn. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. Everyone welcome. We are very grateful for your support

Star White & The 7 Droids July 25th, 10:30AM

Family Fun. Kidstock Theatre of Winchester. Everyone welcome.

Come and see this creative, engaging, interactive KIDSTOCK performance.

Once upon a time in a galaxy far, far away a rebellious princess found herself caring for 7 Droids in a small spaceship to hide from her evil Darth Stepfather!



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**Hors d'oeuvres and musical accompaniment 6-7PM
Hank Phillippi Ryan book talk 7PM
Book Signing 8PM
Beautiful flower arrangements by the Garden Club**