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The Library is located directly across from Town Hall.

#### Fall Hours

Monday - Thursday  
9:00 AM - 9:00 PM  
Friday and Saturday  
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

The Library will be closed Monday, October 9th for Columbus Day.

*"When in doubt go to the library."*  
— J.K. Rowling



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# Library Connections

## The Newsletter of Thayer Public Library

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## Pop-Up Art School

Pop-Up Art School returns on **Wednesday, October 18th** for two programs — one for children and one for adults and teens.



**Cute bat painting.** Pop-Up Art School will show kids ages 8 to 12 how to create their own cute bat painting from **3:30 pm to 5:00 pm in Logan Auditorium**. Make your bat unique with a spooky background or silly accessories.

All materials are provided, but supplies are limited. **Registration is required.** Register online through the Event Calendar, in person, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4425.

**Learn to felt.** At **6:30 pm in Logan Auditorium** Pop-Up Art School will show us the basics of how to needle felt merino wool. Learn how to needle felt a small felted pumpkin.

You will leave the class with one felted pumpkin and the basic supplies and knowledge to needle felt on your own. Needle felting is surprisingly easy, relaxing, and fun!

Supplies are included, but quantities are limited. **Registration is required and this program is limited to 30 participants.** Register online through the Event Calendar, in person, or over the phone at 781-848-0405, ext. 4417. Open to adults and teens.



## Four Bridges: Traditional & Contemporary Bluegrass



We're delighted to welcome Four Bridges back to the Thayer Public Library Concert Series! Join us on **Saturday, October 21st from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in Logan Auditorium** for a rollicking good time.

Four Bridges is a hard driving acoustic band that performs traditional and contemporary Bluegrass, Old-Time and Folk. Four Bridges uses traditional bluegrass instrumentation, guitar, banjo, mandolin, and fiddle, bass. But they're not your average traditional bluegrass band. You'll enjoy their unique blend of traditional, contemporary, and original

music, focusing on three part harmony singing, improvised melodic instrumental sections, and high-energy, all-out boot-stompin' fun.

This program is made possible through the use of library state aid funds.

# Mamasteph Children's Concerts

This month beloved South Shore musician Stephanie Chase, better known as Mamasteph, joins us on **three Tuesday mornings** this month for special concerts featuring music, imagination, and puppetry! Come to one, two, or all three performances!

Mamasteph plays the guitar and sings traditional children's songs as well as her own compositions. She is an accomplished musician, singer, songwriter, entertainer, and craftsperson.

Registration is not required and all concerts are free. Join the fun in the **Children's Room on October 17th, 24th, and 31st from 10:00 am to 10:45 am** to sing along with Mama Steph.

Limited to the first 90 to arrive.



## Trick or Treat, Signs & Sweets



Get a head start on Halloween at the library!

Join the library's Teen Advisory Group in the **Children's Room from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Wednesday, October 25th** for some Fall fun! To get in the Halloween spirit, stop into the library for some candy and some fun!

We will have teen-run treat stations that will teach you a fall-themed ASL (American Sign language) sign and earn you a treat.

Costumes are welcome (but not required)! Open to all youth, just drop in!

## Twilight Zone Marathon

Join us for a day-long marathon of episodes from the original *Twilight Zone* TV series! Stop by **Logan Auditorium anytime between 9:30 am and 4:30 pm on Saturday, October 14th!** Stay for one episode, or stay for the whole day!

Bring your snacks, bring your lunch, bring a friend!

## Genealogy Club



Are you interested in tracing your family's history? Are you working on your family tree and would like to meet up with other people who are also working on their genealogy? Then, join us at the Thayer Public Library's Genealogy Club on **Saturday, October 28th from 10:30 am to 11:30 am in Logan**

**Auditorium.** All are welcome from novice to expert.

This month we will be joined by Joanne Riley, Digital Initiatives Archivist at the University of Massachusetts at Boston Archives and Special Collections.

Learn about the collections at the UMass Boston Archives that can be helpful to family historians. We will be focusing on the Forester Mortuary Records, which the archives acquired from The Irish Ancestral Research Association (TIARA).

The University also has a robust digital collection including information on labor, urban planning, and community organizations, as well as the Mass Memories project.