Women’s History Month

March is Women’s History Month, which highlights contributions that women have made in history and in society. It is celebrated every March to correspond with International Women’s Day on March 8. The first Women’s History Month was celebrated in 1987.
Seasoned Voices
WOMEN POETS
TAKE THEIR STAND

Celebrating Women History Month

Main Library
304 Main Street
2pm to 4pm
Saturday, March 23
Art Gallery

Malice Veiga at 508-894-1425
e-mail myveiga@cobma.us
Library of Things
Over 90 Things, Binoculars, Hotspots, Computers and more...

Check out your favorite item out today!

Daylight Saving

Ask a Law Librarian
Weekly Zoom Sessions on Thursdays

Are you seeking legal information or assistance in navigating state, local and federal laws? Every Thursday at 1PM join the Head Law Librarian at Brockton Law Library, Alexandra Bernson, for a virtual Zoom Q&A session: https://bit.ly/lawlib22


Chess Club
All skill levels and ages welcome!

March 26, 3PM: East Branch
March 27, 7PM: Main Branch
March 28, 3PM: West Branch
Computer Basics
Mondays, 10-11:30 AM
Main Branch

Are you just starting out, or in need of a refresher on the basics of computing? Computer classes are being held every Monday in the Computer Lab. Call or email Jonathan to register: jstroud@cobma.us or 508-894-1423.

Zoom Class
Mondays, 1:00PM-2:00 PM
Main Branch

Learn all about how to use Zoom! Classes are being held every Monday in the Computer Lab. Call or email Jonathan to register: jstroud@cobma.us or 508-894-1423.

Intermediate Computer Class
Mondays, 11:30 AM-1:00PM
Main Branch

Intermediate level classes are being offered after computer basic classes at 10am on Monday mornings weekly. Please call or email Jonathan to register: jstroud@cobma.us or 508-894-1423.

Drop-in Tech Help on
Thursdays from 3-4PM

Need some one-on-one help with your devices? If so drop by on Thursdays at 3pm and ask for Jonathan.
Disability Awareness Month Film Festival
Main Branch

Please join us, this Disability Awareness Month, for a series of films concerning the lives of those with disabilities.

Lives Worth Living
Saturday, March 9, 3 PM

Lives Worth Living is a brief, yet incisive chronicle of the Disability Rights Movement in America from the end of WW2 to the early 21st century. Please consider staying afterward for a discussion.

Crip Camp
Saturday, March 16, 2:30 PM

Down the road from Woodstock, a revolution blossomed at a ramshackle summer camp for teenagers with disabilities, transforming their lives and igniting a landmark movement. Please join us afterward for a discussion.

My Disability Roadmap
Saturday, March 23, 3 PM

Samuel Habib, 21, wants to date, leave home, go to college. But he drives a 350-pound wheelchair, uses a communication device, and can have a seizure at any moment. Determined to find his path forward, he seeks out guidance from America's most rebellious disability activists.

Tales of a Reluctant World Traveler
Thursday, March 28, 3 PM
Main Library

Sixteen weeks, four continents, three bungee jumps, and Randy Ross couldn't come home soon enough. This is the story of how a Boston homebody turned a solo trip around the globe into a comedy novel and an acclaimed one-man show. This multimedia event includes a humorous travel slide show, readings from his novel "God Bless Cambodia," and performances from his show "The Chronic Single's Handbook."

Randy Ross is a Somerville-based writer and performer. His comedic novel, "God Bless Cambodia," was published in 2017 by The Permanent Press. His one-man show "The Chronic Single's Handbook" has been featured at indie theater festivals in the U.S., Canada, and Edinburgh, Scotland.
Everyone Has A Voice  
Saturday, March 16, 2 PM  
Main Library


Bailey Street Brass Concert  
Saturday, March 16, 2 PM  
Main Branch

Brockton Public Library is pleased to welcome back the Bailey Street Brass. Their musical catalog runs the gamut from classical quintet publications, pop tunes, and movie themes, and features several Canadian Brass Quintet arrangements.

Jason Tandon was born in Hartford, CT in 1975. Jason Tandon is the author of five collections of poetry. His poems have appeared in many journals and magazines also Jason's poems have been featured on NPR and on Verse Daily. He earned a B.A. and M.A. in English from Middlebury College and an M.F.A. from the University of New Hampshire, where he studied with the late Charles Simic. He is currently a master lecturer in the Arts & Sciences Writing Program at Boston University.
A Once-in-a-Lifetime Celestial Event*

Join NASA Solar System Ambassador Pat Monteith as she takes families on a journey through the upcoming April 8th eclipse using a mix of exciting visuals, interactive elements, and easy-to-understand explanations. All attendees will receive a free pair of eclipse viewing glasses.

Register below to attend one of two programs:

**Wednesday, March 27th @ 6:00pm**

**or**

**Saturday, April 6th @ noon**

*The next major solar eclipse in the northeast USA is in 45 years*

304 Main Street, Brockton
(508) 894-1431 or (508) 894-1432
**Book Club**
Saturday, March 16, 10 AM
Main Branch & Via Zoom

![Book Club Poster]

Exploring the many ways we're connected to our environment and one another across time, language, and space, this sweeping collection of stories about a single house in the woods of New England is told through the lives of an extraordinary succession of inhabitants.

**Council on Aging Book Club**
Monday, March 11, 1 PM
Council on Aging

![Council on Aging Book Club Poster]

A story of fighting to belong in a world that wasn’t built for all of us and of one woman’s activism—from the streets of Brooklyn and San Francisco to inside the halls of Washington—Being Heumann recounts Judy Heumann’s lifelong battle to achieve respect, acceptance, and inclusion in society.

**Additional Information**

**Drop-In Informational Sessions**
5PM
Main Branch

**Become A Foster Parent Today!**
March 5

**Free Tax Help**

On Saturdays VITA in Brockton will be providing free tax prep only on Saturdays from 8:30am-12pm. The address is 370 Howard Street Brockton, Ma 02302. It is recommended that people schedule an appointment online (https://brocktonvita.org/index.html). Their phone number is 508-591-5479. If you have any questions visit the site or call the number, on Saturdays they have a live person to answer questions.
IMMIGRATION, ELL & CITIZENSHIP PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

Free Citizenship Resource Packet
Come by and pickup a FREE Citizenship Resource Packet full of helpful information! It includes a list of online tools and resources, study aids, checklists, and more. Contact Malice Veiga for a paper copy.

Free Help Filing Out Immigration Paperwork or have Questions
The library has collaborated with Jonathan Semedo Foundation to provide assistance with filling out immigration paperwork and help answer any questions pertaining to this topic. If you have questions please contact Malice Veiga.

Free Immigration Court Proceedings
A FREE handout in Portuguese, Haitian Creole and Spanish that has information about the immigration court process in the different states. Contact Malice Veiga for a handout.

Get Talking with Mango
Learn a new language with Mango and the Brockton Public Library. Go to the Brockton Public Library website and click on the tab books and more then click world languages and then click on Mango Languages and create an account or use as a guest and start learning with Mango.

Welcome! www.usalearns.org
USA Learns is a free website that teaches English skills to immigrants. It consists of three levels First English Course (NRS Levels 2 and 3), Second English Course (NRS Levels 4 and 5) and Practice English and Reading skills (intermediate level).

Download Your Mango App Today!

Learn A New Language Today!
Contact Malice Veiga 508-894-1425 or mveiga@cobma.us
STARTING SCHOOL IN THE UNITED STATES
A Guide for Newcomer Students' Families

Starting a new school can be difficult especially for newcomer immigrant and refugee students, whose families may not be familiar with the U.S. education system. The guide offers research-based guidance on the registration process, how families can get involved in their children's education, the rights every student has under U.S. law, and more. Contact Malice Veiga for a free copy.

Available in 4 Languages
Arabic
English
Somali
Spanish

Public Benefit Eligibility Requirements Packet

Income Eligibility as of 2022, requirements are always changing. Make sure to check in with the Program you are interested in or a Resource Specialist about Income Eligibility and Immigration Status. Contact Malice Veiga for your free packet.

English Classes
Email Malice Veiga for an appointment to discuss our English resources

Contact Malice Veiga
508-894-1425 or mveiga@cobma.us
IMMIGRATION, ELL & CITIZENSHIP
PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES

Apply or Renew Your Health Insurance Today!

Brockton Public Library
304 Main Street
Wednesdays and Thursdays
Starting February 28th, 2024
Reference Department
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Health Connector Specialists can help you with Health Connector or MassHealth coverage and any other questions you may have, no appointment needed.

Translators assistance available: Haitian Creole, Spanish, Portuguese and French.

Malice Veiga at 508-894-1425
e-mail mveiga@cobma.us

Apply or Renew Your SNAP/EBT Account Today!

Brockton Public Library
304 Main Street
Second Thursday Of Each Month
Large Conference Room
Lower Level
9am to 5pm

Translators assistance available in Haitian Creole, Spanish, French and Cape Verdean Creole

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provides nutrition assistance to eligible, low-income individuals and households via a monthly benefit on an Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card, similar to a debit card, which can be used at authorized retailer stores to purchase food.

Malice Veiga at 508-894-1425
e-mail mveiga@cobma.us

Apply or Renew Your
Health Insurance Today!

Weekly Wednesdays and Thursdays
9am to 5pm
**Haitian Entrant Case Management Program Prescreening**

New hours and days for the program
See if you are qualify for the program

**Days and Times**

Mondays, Tuesdays and Saturdays
- Mon. 1pm to 5pm
- Tues. 1pm to 5pm
- Sat. 10am to 5pm

**Haitian Creole Help**

**FILLING OUT PAPERWORK**

Saturdays
9AM to 1PM

Do you need help filling out medical, school, housing and RMV paperwork? If you do help will be available every Saturdays from 9am to 1pm at the lower level of the library. Please email or call Malice Veiga for additional information.

**Haitian Creole Worker Permit Informational Sessions**

Contact Malice Veiga for Additional Information

We collaborated with the International Institute of New England to serve our community!! Scan code to read the article.
Cuban Entrant Case Management Program

Prescreening

Do you need help filling out medical, school, housing and RMV paperwork? If you do help will be available every Saturdays from 9am to 1pm at the lower level of the library. Please email or call Malice Veiga for additional information.

**Days for the program**

See if you are qualify for the program

**Days and Times**

**Wednesdays and Thursdays**

Wed. 11am to 5pm
Thurs. 11am to 5pm

Cuban Entrant Case Management Program

Reception and welcoming of new American in our communities. Resettlement includes an intensive 90 day support period to help connect families with food, financial assistance, and cultural supports. Need additional information contact Malice Veiga.

SPANISH SPEAKERS HELP FILLING OUT PAPERWORK

Mondays and Tuesdays
4PM to 6PM

Do you need help filling out medical, school, housing and RMV paperwork? If you do help will be available every Saturdays from 9am to 1pm at the lower level of the library. Please email or call Malice Veiga for additional information.
ASOCIACION LATINA (LATIN ASSOCIATION) WOMEN’S SUPPORT GROUP

Asociacion Latina collaborated with The Brockton Public Library to resume its sessions back up again. This support group will be for our Latina women. We will discuss topics be that can help us as women. Topics such as education, immigration, domestic violence, sexual abuse, justice (court) related problems, translation, public notary, housing issues and other important issues.

The Group Is Free And Confidential
304 Main Street
Every Tuesday evenings from 6pm to 8pm
Starting January 9, 2024

Contact Ines Figueroa at 774-294-9412 or Malice Veiga at 508-894-1425 or mveiga@cobma.us
BILINGUAL DEBATE CLUB
IN
FRENCH AND HAITIAN CREOLE

Every Second Saturday of the Month
Second Session
Saturday, February 10, 2024

2pm to 4pm
Bring your topic and if its chosen we will debate it.

Moderated by Samuel Duclosel
in the Art Gallery
At Brockton Public Library, 304 Main Street

Marie Robert
VS
Jean Derenoncourt

Malice Veiga at 508-894-1425 or mveiga@cobma.us
World Language Books

Do you want to read a fiction or a nonfiction book in your native language?
If you do, come and check out our world language collection at the reference department.

Languages are
- French
- Spanish
- Portuguese
- Haitian Creole
- Cape Verdean Creole

Learn a New Language Today

The library has many resources to help you learn a new language. And, be able to converse with a new friend today!

- Books
- CDs
- Recorded Books: Language Course
  Mango Language database
  and more

- Portuguese, French, Spanish, German and more

English Language Learners & Become a Volunteer!

We are expanding our community of English Language Learners! Both adults and young adults are welcome: no experience necessary.

We're looking for:
- Languages: 1, 2, 3 or more!
- Committed
- Friendly
- Patient
- Career-oriented
- Parents, grandparents, students

Contact Malice Veiga
508-894-1425 or mveiga@cobma.us
Paint Night

DO MORE OF WHAT YOU LOVE

Every Second Wednesday Of The Month

3/13

6:30PM
ART SMART 2024
BROCKTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
SPRING ART EXHIBIT AND CONTEST

RECEPTION
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2023 at 6:30 PM
JOSEPH A. DRISCOLL ART GALLERY
BROCKTON PUBLIC LIBRARY - 304 MAIN STREET
**Tattoo Thursdays**
Every Thursday, 3:30 PM
Main Branch

Tattoo Thursdays will include face painting and library themed temporary tattoos. This event will take place in the Children's Room.

**Lego Club with Lee**
Every Wednesday, 4:45 PM
Main Branch

Build LEGOS with Lee, an art student from UMass Boston. Enhance fine motor skills in a fun and creative way. Due to limited supplies and space, we can only take 15 children every week. Spots are offered on a first come first serve basis, any inquiries after exceeding the maximum capacity will be put on a waitlist. If someone cannot make it, we will call patrons in the order of the waiting list to ensure all kids can be included.

Visit our Facebook page for all of our events and updates!
facebook.com/ChildrensRoomBrocktonPL
Story Time with the Zetas

March 2, 2024

10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)
Brockton Public Library
304 Main St.
Brockton, MA 02301
Children’s Room

REGISTER NOW with the Library

Please Call: 508-894-1431

WWW.OMEGAETAZETA1920.ORG   OMEGAETAZETA2012   ZPHIB_OMEGAETAZETA
Children's Programs

Meet Maudie the Chicken!

...and author/illustrator/artist

Lauren Scheuer

Saturday
March 23
10:00 AM

Learn all about chickens!
Learn how to draw Maudie!

For ages 5 and up

Registration Required!
Contact the Children’s Room
508-894-1431

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STREAM Ahead at the Brockton Public Library!
304 Main Street | Brockton, MA 02301 | (508) 580-7890

We’ve added the “R” for reading! By incorporating literacy into the programming, we are promoting critical thinking and creativity with your little one age 0-6 years old. Join us from 10-11am for story time with a themed, activity to follow!

HAPPENING SATURDAYS FROM 10-11AM
MARCH 9, 16, 23, 30

Registration is required. Register in the Children’s Room, call 508-894-1431, or email Tammy Campbell at tcampbell@cobma.us.
Bryson Lang: The Cure for the Common Show
Comedy-Juggling

Join Bryson as he takes both ordinary and out-of-the-ordinary objects and literally spins them into a visual tapestry in a distinctive and dynamic way.

No registration is required.
Children’s Story Hour Room
Monday, March 4th, 2024
5:00 PM
Contact 508-894-1431 for more information.

Tammy Campbell  ❖ Brockton Public Library  ❖ 304 Main Street  ❖ tcampbell@cobma.us
Showtime: The Lego Movie
Tuesday, March 5, 5 PM
Main Branch

An ordinary LEGO construction worker, thought to be the prophesied as "special", is recruited to join a quest to stop an evil tyrant from gluing the LEGO universe into eternal stasis.

Showtime: Mulan
Tuesday, March 12, 5 PM
Main Branch

To save her father from death in the army, a young maiden secretly goes in his place and becomes one of China's greatest heroines in the process.

Showtime: Inside Out
Tuesday, March 19, 5 PM
Main Branch

After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school.

Showtime: Monsters vs. Aliens
Tuesday, March 26, 5 PM
Main Branch

A woman transformed into a giant after she is struck by a meteorite on her wedding day becomes part of a team of monsters sent in by the U.S. government to defeat an alien mastermind trying to take over Earth.

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Partnerships
Local, State, National

Radon is a radioactive gas that comes from the ground. It moves up through your foundation and gets trapped inside your home. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health recommends all homes be tested for radon.

WHY TEST?
Nearly 1 of every 15 homes in the U.S. is estimated to have elevated radon levels that exceed the EPA action guideline of 4 pCi/L.
Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer in people who never smoke, and the second leading cause of lung cancer overall.
The US EPA estimates that 21,000 radon-related deaths occur annually in the United States.

HOW DO I TEST?
Testing your AIR is the only way to know if your home has radon. For more information on how to get your home tested and understanding your results, contact the Indoor Air Quality Program at: (800) 723-6695 (MA only) or (413) 784-9352 DPHIAQ.radon@mass.gov

Need health insurance?
MA Health Connector Community Specialists are onsite at the Main library branch to help you access health insurance.

TEST YOUR HOME FOR RADON
FREE TEST KITS AVAILABLE
Contact the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Indoor Air Quality Program - Radon Information Line
(800) 723-6695 or (413) 784-9352
(Toll-free in MA) DPHIAQ.radon@mass.gov

NEED HEALTH INSURANCE?
WE CAN HELP.
Health Connector specialists can help you with Health Connector or MassHealth coverage and any other questions you may have, no appointment needed.

Wednesdays & Thursdays 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Brockton Public Library 304 Main St. Trustees Room
Haitian Creole, Spanish, Portuguese and French.

Malico Veliga P: 508-894-1425 E: mveliga@cobma.us
MAhealthconnector.org
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Do you need to apply or renew your SNAP/EBT Account?

Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA) Community Specialists are onsite at the Main library branch to help you create or access your SNAP/EBT account.
Preview of April Events

April 20- Erik Lindgren and Thomasine Flute Concert
April 26- Gladius Concert

March 10  Daylight Saving
March 29 Good Friday
March 31 Easter