

THE READER

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY AND THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE



The Friends of the Cranford Public Library invite you to visit their used book sale on **Thursday, March 19, 1:00 pm to 8:30 pm, Friday, March 20, 10:00 am to 4:30 pm, and Saturday, March 21, 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.** Items for sale include more than 10,000 adult and children's books, as well as CDs, DVDs, and recorded books. Prices range from \$.25 to \$2.00, except for a few specially marked items. On Saturday, fill a bag with books for just \$8.00. Enter through the side door.

CONCERT: VIOLINIST DENI BONET

NYC-based violinist and songwriter Deni Bonet will visit the Cranford Community Center on **Tuesday, March 3 at 7:00 pm**, for an unforgettable evening of live music. Ms. Bonet was an original member of the cast of the nationally syndicated NPR radio show "Mountain Stage," and has performed alongside R.E.M., Sarah McLachlan, Cyndi Lauper, Scissor Sisters, and Warren Zevon, among others. Her amazing skill with the violin has thrilled audiences at Carnegie Hall, the United Nations, Lilith Fair and the White House.



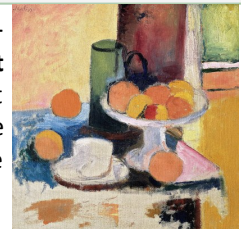
CONCERT: MAGNOLIA STREET STRING BAND



The Magnolia Street String Band will bring their tremendous talent and original style to the Cranford Community Center on **Thursday, March 12 at 7:00 pm.** A group Formed in Highland Park, NJ in 2013, their music is grounded in traditional bluegrass with elements of cosmic Americana, country, and old-time as well as original compositions mixed in. The band's sound features powerful three-part harmonies and compelling instrumentals. Don't miss this one-night only event!

ARMCHAIR ART TOUR: YOUNG MATISSE AT THE MET

Henri Emile Benoît Matisse—an artist famed for his original use of line and color—compared his artistic development to the growth of a seed. On **Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00 pm** at the Cranford Community Center, Michael Norris, Ph.D. will trace that growth in Matisse's life story until his mid-thirties, especially through art at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Michael Norris worked for 20 years at the Met and the Cloisters Museum, and has lectured around the world.



CONCERT: DAVID AARON TRIO

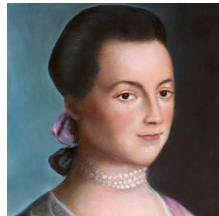


The David Aaron Trio is exciting, powerful, and authentic, and perfectly captures the sound and look of the big bands from the Swing era. On **Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center, hear America's classic sounds come to life. Clarinetist David Aaron started playing since the 1940s, as a young boy growing up in Irvington, NJ, and never stopped. A performer and educator, he has brought multiple styles of music to audiences of all ages.

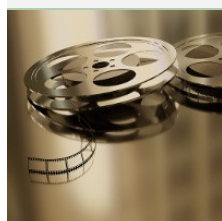
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REMEMBERING THE LADIES WITH ABIGAIL ADAMS

In “Remembering the Ladies: From Patriots in Petticoats to Presidential Candidates” on **Monday, April 27 at 7:00 pm**, lecturer and author Carol Simon Levin will portray Abigail Adams, who famously wrote to her husband John asking that the Continental Congress “remember the ladies” when drafting new laws for the new nation. Hear the stories of courageous and tenacious women—pioneering female activists and politicians who’ve worked to extend women’s economic, social, and political rights through the centuries.



FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC FILMS



Join the Friends for captivating international and Hollywood films! On **Monday, March 16 and Monday, April 20 at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm**, we'll show films as part of our Foreign Film Series. Titles will be available at the library's circulation desk when determined. On **Wednesday, March 18 and Wednesday, April 1 at 7:00 pm**, we'll debut new films *Bombshell* and *1917* as part of our New Movie Night series.

LITERARY CAFÉ AND READERS FORUM

The Literary Café continues! Our next meetings will take place on **Saturday, March 14 and Saturday, April 4 at 10:15 am**. Tell us about a book you've recently read: new or old, fiction or non-fiction, classic or contemporary. Refreshments will be served, courtesy of the Friends of the Cranford Public Library! The Readers Forum will meet on **Monday, March 23 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens, and on **Monday, April 27 at 7:00 pm** to discuss *The Lost Girls of Paris* by Pam Jenoff.



ADULT SERVICES KIOSK



Do you have questions about services for seniors or their caregivers? Visit the Aging Services Kiosk at the library on **Wednesday, March 11 at 10:00 am**. Talk to a specialist from the Union County Department of Human Services Division on Aging and Disability Resource Connection and get answers to questions about pharmaceutical assistance, home energy and cooling assistance, home care, home delivered or congregate meals, Medicaid eligibility, social security, transportation and more.

THEATER PROJECT LIVE READINGS

On **Saturday, April 18 at 2:00 pm** and **Saturday, May 16 at 2:00 pm** in the Cranford Community Center, the Theater Project will present a staged, script-in-hand reading of an original play by a member of their Playwright's workshop, followed by a discussion with the audience, director, playwright and cast. The Theater Project is an acclaimed professional theater group and the winner of two NJ Tony Awards. Admission is free and all are welcome.



Monday to Thursday, 10 am—9 pm · Friday and Saturday, 10 am—5 pm
(Summer Saturdays 10 am—2pm, July and August)

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