

CAITLYN CLARK COMES HOME



You can think of it as a homecoming of sorts. In middle school, Caitlyn Clark volunteered in the old library building at the corner of Circuit and Pennacook avenues. This summer she returned as the new Children and Young Adult Librarian. She brings an ideal blend of experience and passion to the job.

“I have been involved in education for the last six years, and teaching professionally for the last three years,” she says. “I’ve specifically taught grades 5-12 and worked with kids in grades younger than that.”

Caitlyn has big plans. As a former educator, Caitlyn wants to fold science-based connections into the story and craft times for older children. She wants to expand the young adult programs to make it the place to be. Increasing English language learner resources for ages 0-18 is another major goal.

Caitlyn looks forward to working closely with the local schools and other organizations to capitalize on existing programs that support learning, literacy and the arts.

“Every year we have multiple island winners in the Cape Cod Times Classroom Times in art and writing,” she said. “I will focus on providing programs and resources for the arts.” Caitlyn also offered a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) for Teens program over the summer and plans to offer a similar program over the winter months.

Check out the Children and Young Adult areas or you’ll miss an exciting and vital part of the library. It’s always hopping up there with kids reading, playing, listening, creating, and exploring the resources to make every child a life-long reader.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD: CAROLINA COONEY

Carolina Cooney didn’t plan on applying to be the new Programming Director. She loved the library job she already had.

“It was actually not until the final day of applications being accepted that I realized it was the perfect job for me,” Carolina explained. “I truly enjoy learning about the interests of the community and catering programs to these, as well as occasionally exploring new ideas and trends.”

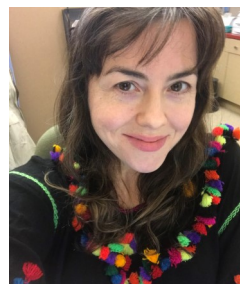
Carolina started during the library’s most active season that includes the annual African American Culture and Literature Festival. At times, she barely had a moment to catch her breath.

“Summer was amazing and we had so many programs – pretty much one a day,” she said. Things promise to continue at that same level of intensity and excitement.

“My goals for fall are to expand on enrichment and educational programs, like our Friday French class and classes with mentors from SCORE, a small business advising service,” Carolina added. October brings the annual Fossil Day and an interactive showing of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*—costumes encouraged.

You can look forward to favorite programs continuing – the Game Night at The Barn, the Writer’s Group, Tai Chi, and Magic: The Gathering club, etc. The Modern Quilt Guild will expand to include knitters, crochet aficionados, embroidery fans and other fiber arts. Carolina wants to add monthly Music in the Stacks, a book club or two, fall crafting programs and a return of the Fermenters Group. Multi-lingual activities will be expanded to reflect Oak Bluffs’ diverse community.

Given Carolina’s love of travel, literature, art and music, the future looks bright and full of ways to stay busy during the Island’s quiet seasons.



COMING ATTRACTIONS

- * **Great American Read**
Viewing Party
Thu. Oct 4 & 11—6:30-7:30pm
- * **Bilingual Storytime**
English & Portuguese
Sat. Oct 6—10:30-11am
- * **Samba Dance Class**
Sun. Oct 7—1-2:30pm
- * **Teen Journaling Workshop**
Tue. Oct 9 — 6:30-8:30pm
- * **Music in the Stacks—Slammy B**
Fri. Oct 12 — 7-8:30pm
- * **Fall Festival**
Sat. Oct 13—10-11:30am
- * **Living Wall Planter**
Pre-reg & bring a trowel
Sat. Oct 13—2:30-4pm
- * **Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark**
Tue. Oct 16—7-8pm
- * **Conquer Your Computer**
Two-part Google Drive program
Must pre-register
Wed. Oct 17—10-11:30am
- * **Wii Teen Dance Party**
Wed. Oct 17— 2:30-3:30pm
- * **Fossil Day**
Thu. Oct 18— 4-7:45 pm
- * **Book Drive**
Sat. Oct 20 — 12:30-2:30pm
- * **Halloween Party**
Sat. Oct 27 — 10-11:30am
- * **Teen Horror Movie**
Sat. Oct. 27 — 1-3pm
- * **Rocky Horror Picture Show**
Tue. Oct 30—6-8pm
- * **Election — VOTE!**
Tue. Nov 6—7am-7pm
- * **Adult Spelling Bee @ The Barn**
Wed. Nov 7 — time tbd
Must pre-register to compete
- * **Warm & Fuzzy**
Cocoa & games in your pjs
Sat. Nov. 10 — 1:30-3:30pm

Full calendar & more details:
oakbluffslibrary.org/



DATES TO REMEMBER

Thanksgiving—Thu Nov. 22

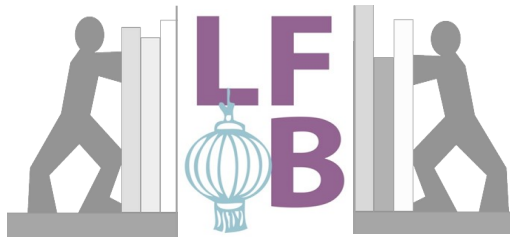
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Annual Holiday Party

food, fun & Santa , too

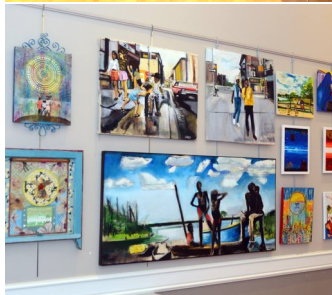
Sat. Dec. 1—12-2pm



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SUMMER TIME ... FUN TIME



WEEKLY PROGRAMS

- * **Game Night @The Barn**
Mon. 7:30-9pm
- * **Teen Novel Writing Nights**
Tue. Nov. 6-27 — 5pm
- * **Coffee Corner** Wed. 10-11am
- * **Story Time (3+)** Wed. 10:30-11:30
- * **Oak Bluffs Writers Group** Thu. 10-noon
- * **Tai Chi & Tea** Fri. 10:30-11:30am
- * **Book Babies** Thu. 11-11:30am
- * **English Conversation Circle/Inglês Círculo Conversation**
Thu. 6:30-7:30
- * **Toddler Time Story Hour**
Fri. 10:30—11:30
- * **Lego Club** Fri. 3:30-4:30pm
- * **Learn French with Mango**
Fri. 3:30-4:45pm through Nov. 16



MONTHLY PROGRAMS

- * **Library Friends of Oak Bluffs**
1st Wed. — 4-6
- * **Library Trustees**
1st Thu. — 3-4:30pm
- * **Friday Night Magic: The Gathering**
1st & 3rd Fri. — 6-8pm
- * **Saturday Stitches—all fiber arts!**
1st Sat. — 10am-2pm

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