

BEVERLY PUBLIC LIBRARY

VIRTUAL MONDAY MORNINGS

Fall 2020 Schedule

Adult Program Series
9:30-10:30 AM
Via Zoom, Registration Required

September 21

Musical Baseball Show with Howie Newman

Howie Newman launches the season with a unique, entertaining, interactive musical program. This concert includes baseball songs, baseball trivia, and stories about Howie's days as a sportswriter. He covered baseball for several major daily papers in the Boston area, including The Boston Globe and The Patriot Ledger, as well as The Associated Press and many national magazines. This is an interactive show. Viewers are encouraged to turn on their cameras and unmute themselves.

September 28

Deborah Sampson, Gender, and the American Revolution with Alex Myers

In 1782, Deborah Sampson ran away from her home in Middleborough, Massachusetts, disguised herself as a man, and joined the army to fight in the American Revolutionary War. In 1995, Alex Myers, a descendant of Deborah Sampson, came out as transgender and transitioned to live as a man—he was the first openly transgender student to attend Harvard University. Myers will be discussing his novel *Revolutionary*. Myers uses historical fiction to explore Deborah's exploits as a soldier and to ask critical questions about gender, identity, and self—both in the 18th century and today.

October 5

Property Fraud Watch Alert Program with Nancy Doherty of the Essex South Registry of Deeds

The FBI has reported that property and mortgage fraud is one of the fastest growing white collar crimes in America. This presentation from the office of Register John O'Brien from the Southern Essex District Registry of Deeds will assist Essex County homeowners in protecting their most valuable asset...their property. You will learn how the free Property Fraud Watch program works and how to sign up. This program goes a long way towards detecting and thwarting real estate fraud.

October 12

Holiday—NO PROGRAM

October 19

A Pictorial History of Lynch Park with Abby Battis, Historic Beverly*

The David S. Lynch Memorial Park was transformed from estate to park in 1943 making the park what we know today. But, there is so much more history rooted in the park that dates back to the time of Woodbury's Point and the Revolutionary War. This pictorial lecture of Lynch Park will look to the past to uncover the history, the landscape, and ownership, and its total evolution during the last 250 years.

**This new presentation from Historic Beverly will be exclusively live via Zoom. Program will not be recorded for later broadcast.*

October 26

A Furious Sky: The Five-Hundred-Year History of America's Hurricanes with Eric Jay Dolin

From the moment European colonists laid violent claim to this land, hurricanes have had a profound impact on American history. Join bestselling historian and local author Eric Jay Dolin as he presents the five-hundred-year story of American hurricanes, from nameless storms that threatened Columbus' New World voyages, to the devastation wrought by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico, and the escalation of hurricane season as a result of global warming. Dolin introduces a rich cast of characters, including Benjamin Franklin, Ernest Hemingway, Katherine Hepburn, and Steven Spielberg, and puts us in the middle of the most devastating storms of the past. A work of environmental and cultural history, *A Furious Sky* will change the way we understand the storms on the horizon of America's future.

November 2

The Little House in Folly Cove with Barb Fecteau

Children's book writer Virginia Lee Burton won the 1943 Caldecott Medal for *The Little House*. She created the world of Mike Mulligan and told the tale of Katy and the Big Snow. In addition to her stories and illustrations Burton was a textile artist and a founding member of Gloucester's Folly Cove Designers. Barb has been enthralled with *The Little House* her entire life. Come share her appreciation for Burton's life and work and enjoy the legacy of this local legend. Barb Fecteau is the librarian at Beverly High School, teaches in the library media program at Salem State University, and reads more children's literature than is probably good for her.

Register for each program at www.beverlypubliclibrary.org/calendar.

Can't make it to the live program? No problem, BevCam will be broadcasting recordings and we'll be posting them to our YouTube channel so you can catch up later.