

# THE PAGETURNER:

Ferndale Library's Newsletter

## Greetings!

This is the winter/spring edition of our print newsletter, the Page Turner. Inside, you'll find a full listing of upcoming library events for all ages! But first, we wanted to start off with some recent building updates! If you haven't been to the library in a while, you're going to notice a few things on your next visit.

## HERE'S WHAT'S NEW:

### Signage

Before you even enter, you'll see that we have some new signage around the building, including along the north and south-facing sides of the building, indicating that you have assuredly arrived at your local library, namely the **Ferndale Area District Library**. And while we officially became a district library (in partnership with Ferndale Schools and the City of Ferndale) back in 2015, it was understandable that folks still referred to us as the "Ferndale Public Library," since up until very recently, that's certainly what our signage indicated.

### Furniture / Laptop Bar / Kids Corner

Near our west entrance, you'll notice our new laptop bar in the atrium; a serene new space to work with lots of natural light. Then, when you enter the main library, you'll see new cozy cushioned chairs and ottomans set along the windows and new armchairs by the fireplace. There are also new study carrels and desks, which you'll find near the public computers behind our reference desk. If you continue walking through the building, you'll find a comprehensively refreshed Kids Corner, with new furniture for parents and kids and more shelving for books. We've also had new carpeting and a fresh coat of paint applied to this portion of the building.

### Website

Another noteworthy change, not as recent but still connected to the subject of the library's name: our new website URL is [www.fadl.org](http://www.fadl.org), with the **fadl** standing for Ferndale Area District Library. That means our main contact email was also updated to [info@fadl.org](mailto:info@fadl.org). You can read about more features available on our new website on page five of this newsletter!

### INSIDE THIS EDITION...

You'll see photos of everything described above, including the building's new signage, furniture, and updates to our Kids Corner. You'll also find a full list of events scheduled throughout March, April, and May. FYI: several of these events are currently planned to be hosted virtually, but some are set to be in-person.

Find a dynamic listing of scheduled events on our website: [fadl.org/upcoming-events](http://fadl.org/upcoming-events)



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Monday - Thursday: 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday: 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday - Sunday: 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM



# UPDATES & Resources



New Kids Corner Carpeting

## The Library's **NEW** Renovations



New Kids Corner Play Area



New Kids Corner Shelving for Picture Books & Board Books



New Exterior Signage



New Laptop Bar / Furniture / Study Carrels

## Featured Resources You'll Find Inside the Library:

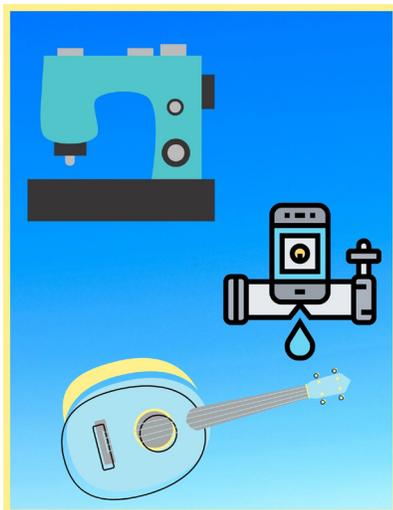
**Adobe Station:** If you visit the library's computer lab, you may notice a new station with a larger monitor. This is our Adobe specialty computer! It has Photoshop, Premiere Pro and Acrobat installed on it. Patrons can stop at the Reference Desk to sign up for a 3-hour session on this PC dedicated to these programs. There are links to tutorials on the desktop if you're looking to increase your knowledge.

**Seed Library:** We have plenty of seed packets for vegetables and flowers that you can start indoors during the winter months. Starting seeds indoors gives you a head start on the planting season—which means you'll be more than ready to get back into your garden when the ground thaws. Our seed library is located near our computer lab, stored inside of a repurposed vintage card catalog. You can check out several packets of seeds by signing them out in our folder—but remember that we encourage you to plan to save some seeds at the end of the harvest season so that you can donate them back into the collection. To learn more about our seed library, or if you have any questions about seed saving, you can visit our reference desk or call our adult services librarians.

## Building a Library of Things

A Library of Things is exactly what it sounds like: Instead of the conventional items that libraries circulate such as books, movies, or music, such collections often feature tools, gadgets, or household items. These items serve needs or projects that come up only occasionally rather than day-to-day, like a quick fix for an appliance or a once-in-a-while craft or recreational activity. A Library of Things allows patrons to test out hobbies and experiment. It also saves people money by providing tools that might only be needed once or twice, like a thermal leak detector.

We'll be steadily adding loanable items to our new Library of Things collection in the coming months. Ferndale Library cardholders will be able to check out an assortment of unique equipment and tools to aid in a variety of projects at home, for school, or around the office, including a variety of craft tools, home and gardening equipment, and some STEM learning tools. We conducted a survey last summer to see which items our patrons would like to see in the Library of Things, and we'll be adding those items first, which include a sewing machine, portable leak detector, a ukulele, and more!



Items in the Library of Things circulate for two weeks and you will need a Ferndale Library card to check them out. The newest items are only just now being obtained, so stay tuned; these should be available and ready to circulate in mid-late spring.

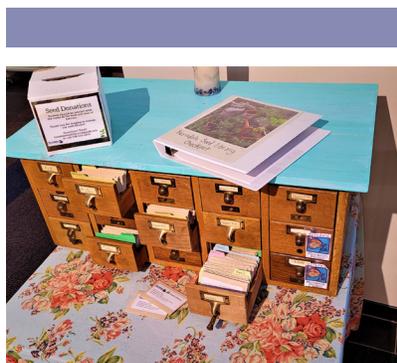
## One of the newest "Things" to Check Out:

### TELESCOPES



We added three new telescopes to the youth area for kids and families to check out for two-week loan periods. The telescopes come with an instruction manual, a moon map, a pocket guide for spotting constellations, and an LED light. These easy-to-use telescopes have 4 ½ inch reflectors and are designed to be more durable than the average optical observational instrument--i.e., kid-friendly!

These telescopes are available to Ferndale Library cardholders on a first-come/first-serve basis, available at the youth services desk in the library's Kids Corner. Children can use their own library card, but a parent or legal guardian is required to be present at check out. Please note that these items cannot be renewed or placed on hold.



*Our Seed Library (featured on page 2) also technically falls under the category of "things" that you can check out as well.*

## Previously Added "Things"

**Hotspots:** Ferndale Library cardholders can check out a Wi-Fi hotspot for 1 week. The device provides users unlimited 4G LTE wireless internet access for up to ten devices at once. These devices are small, lightweight, and very intuitive to set up.

**Puzzles & Board Games:** Puzzles for all ages and skill levels are loaned for three weeks; there are some as small as 25 pieces and others over 1000 pieces. We also have board games for all ages that also loan out for 3 weeks, with the collection including a range of options from beloved classics to popular newer releases.



**VR Headset & Video Games:** Ferndale Library cardholders can check out a variety of titles for PlayStation 4 & 5, Xbox, and Nintendo Switch. We also offer the PlayStation 4 VR Kit, which loans for two weeks and includes the equipment you'll need to play the VR titles we have in our collection as well as ones you can find online in the PlayStation Store. The kit is fully sanitized every time it's returned.



# ADULT Programs

**FYI:** You can sign up for our events, or find more info, by visiting [www.fadl.org/upcoming-events](http://www.fadl.org/upcoming-events)

## MARCH

### Writers Group

March 2 - 6:30 pm

**Via Zoom:**

For writers of all skill levels and all genres. Local scribes meet up to discuss current projects, share insights, and provide feedback and edits on drafts.

### Sustainable Mending

March 3 - 7 pm

**Hybrid event (in-person & Zoom):**

Learn darning, hemming, button replacement, basic stitching, and upcycling jeans from Allison Kendzorski, master tailor at Hook & Eye.



### Motor Om Yoga

March 6 - 12 pm

**In-person:**

Motor Om is a non-profit mobile yoga studio comprised of instructors who teach free classes around the community. All skill levels, including beginners, are welcome; visit our website to sign up.

### Film Club

March 8 - 7 pm

**Hybrid event:**

Brendan Kredell, OU Assc. Prof. of Cinema Studies leads film buffs in a discussion of unique and engaging titles that are available to check out or stream with a library card. We'll be discussing *The Godfather*.

### Live Music ft. Jackamo

March 11 - 7:30 pm

Indie-folk sister duo Alison and Tessa Wiercioch deliver dazzling harmonies and swooning melodies, drawing inspiration from artists such as Wilco. This is a free concert brought to you by the Friends of the Ferndale Library.

### Cookbook Club

March 16 - 7 pm

**Via Zoom:**

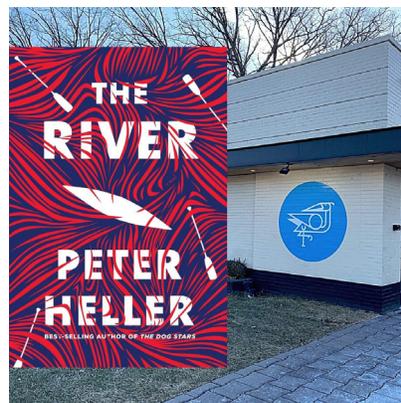
Discussing *East: 120 Vegan and Vegetarian Recipes from Bangalore to Beijing*. Registrants will have a copy of the book placed on hold for them. Sign-up is required.

### Ferndale Project Book Club

March 29 - 6:30 pm

**In-person:**

This monthly book club is hosted at the Ferndale Project (567 Livernois). In March we'll be discussing Peter Heller's *The River*. To sign up, visit [ferndaleproject.com](http://ferndaleproject.com).



## APRIL

### Motor Om Yoga

April 3 - 12 pm

**In-person:**

Motor Om Yoga leads free monthly classes for pre-registered participants. These classes are hosted on Sundays when the library opens at 12 pm; class begins a few minutes after the library's doors are opened. Sign up at our website.

### Writers Group

April 6 - 6:30 pm

**Via Zoom:**

Local scribes meet up to discuss current projects, share insights, and provide feedback and edits on drafts.

### Live Music ft. Duende

April 8 - 8 pm

**In-person:**

This free concert features local quartet Duende, who blend everything from Americana to psychedelia, punk to country, and blues to garage-rock.

### Film Club

April 12 - 7 pm

**In-person:**

Join fellow film buffs to discuss this month's selected film.

### DIY Hydropod

April 14 - 6:30 pm

**In-person:**

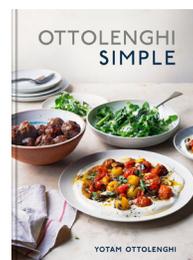
Make a DIY hydroponic seed starter using recycled materials to plant the 2022 One State One Seed, a Boston Pickling Cucumber.

### Discussing Ottolenghi Simple by Yotam Ottolenghi

April 20 - 7 pm

**Via Zoom:**

Discussing *Ottolenghi Simple* by Yotam Ottolenghi. Registrants will have a copy of the book placed on hold for them. Sign-up is required.



### Local Poet Workshop

April 23 - 2 pm

**In-person:**

Author/Poet/Educator Joy Gaines Friedler encourages writers of all skill levels, and especially aspiring poets, to attend to receive both insight and inspiration.

### Ferndale Project Book Club

April 26 - 6:30 pm

**In-person:**

Join us at the Ferndale Project (567 Livernois) to discuss *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley. To sign up, visit [ferndaleproject.com](http://ferndaleproject.com).

# ADULT Programs

## MAY

### Motor Om Yoga

May 1 - 10 am

#### In-person:

Motor Om Yoga leads free monthly classes for pre-registered participants. This class will start earlier in the morning and will be hosted outdoors in the library's courtyard.



### Writers Group

May 4 - 6:30 pm

#### Via Zoom:

For writers of all skill levels and all genres. Local scribes meet up to discuss current projects, share insights, and provide feedback and edits on drafts.

### Free Comic Book Day

May 7 - 1 pm - 4 pm

#### In-person (all ages):

Free comic books available at the library, courtesy of Comics & More (Madison Heights). Join us for crafts and activities to celebrate our love of comics and pop culture. While supplies last.

### Cookbook Club

May 18 - 7 pm

#### Via Zoom:

Discussing *Cook this Book* by Molly Baz. Registrants will have a copy of the book placed on hold for them. Sign-up is required: [www.fadl.org/upcoming-events](http://www.fadl.org/upcoming-events)

### Ferndale Project Book Club

May 31 - 6:30 pm

#### In-person:

Discussing *Gold Diggers* by Sanjena Sathian. This event is hosted at the Ferndale Project (567 Livernois). To sign up, visit [ferndaleproject.com](http://ferndaleproject.com).

Coming later in June: Summer Reading Program, including our Adult Summer Reading Challenge and our Summer Concert Series (for all ages).

## Website Features - FADL.ORG

### Reader's Corner:

If you're looking for something to read, watch, or listen to, consider visiting our Reader's Corner at [fadl.org](http://fadl.org). This is where you can fill out a quick form to receive personalized recommendations from librarians. You can also look at our staff's all-time favorites in a variety of mediums as well as request a book bundle tailored to your specific reading preferences!



### Library Card Sign-Up / My Account:

When you visit our website, you'll see a variety of tabs across the top, including options like Services, Calendar, and more. Click the button labeled "My Account" to sign in with your library card number and review any items that you currently have checked out or on hold. And remember! You can always sign up for or renew your library card from home via our website: [fadl.org/library-cards](http://fadl.org/library-cards).



## Check out our podcast: "A Little Too Quiet"

The fifth season of our podcast is currently available to stream or download, brought to you by the Friends of the Ferndale Library. You can find "A Little Too Quiet" on Spotify, iTunes, or Stitcher; we also have a link to it on our website. You can listen to more than 100 previous episodes or check out the latest releases, featuring interviews with local and national authors, as well as conversations with our own FADL staff. Recent guests include Lisa Gardner, Jonathan Evison, and Brit Bennett.



# Youth Events

## MARCH

### Toddler Storytime

10:30 am

First 3 Wednesdays of each month, throughout March-April-May

Via Zoom

### Reading With Dogs

March 7-28 (recurring) - 5 pm

In-Person:

Go Team Therapy Dogs will be at the library on Monday evenings, March 7, 14, 21 & 28. Ages 4-17 can be signed up to read to a dog. Space is limited so reserve your time today by emailing [everett@fadl.org](mailto:everett@fadl.org)



### Lower Elementary Book Club

March 2 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*The Girl and the Wolf* by Katherine Vermette. Students (grades K-2) can be signed up via email: [everett@fadl.org](mailto:everett@fadl.org) | Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.

### Upper Elementary Book Club

March 9 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*Hilda and the Black Hound* by Luke Pearson. Students (grades 3-5) can be signed up via email: [marygrahame@fadl.org](mailto:marygrahame@fadl.org) | Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.

Follow our Youth Librarians on social media at: [facebook.com/ferndalekids](https://www.facebook.com/ferndalekids)

## Read Woke

March 22 - 3:15 pm

In-person (FHS):

An after school book club only for Ferndale High School/University High School students, focusing on YA books that highlight/explore social justice issues.

## APRIL

### Lower Elementary Book Club

April 6 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*Dear Treefrog* by Joyce Sidman. Students can be signed up online at [fadl.org/upcoming-events](http://fadl.org/upcoming-events). | Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.

### Drawing with Ms. Stephanie

April 9 - 2 pm K-5

Via Zoom:

An interactive portrait drawing workshop for kids led by Teaching Artist, Ms. Stephanie. Supplies provided.

### Upper Elementary Book Club

April 13 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*Maybe Maybe Marisol Rainey* by Erin Entrada Kelly. Students can be signed up online at [fadl.org/upcoming-events](http://fadl.org/upcoming-events). Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.



## Pokémon Club

April 20 - 6 pm - ages 7-12

Via Zoom:

Pokémon Club is a place to gather, learn, and have fun talking about Pokémon video games, cards, books, shows, and more! (Third Wednesday of each month).

## Read Woke

April 26 - 3:15 pm

In-person (FHS):

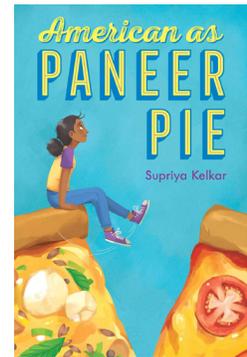
April will be the final Read Woke meeting of the semester; this is a YA book club for Ferndale's high school/University High School students only, focusing on social justice issues.

## Battle of the Books

April 27 - 9:30 am

Ferndale Upper Elementary:

This is an event for fifth-graders who participated in forming teams with students and reading six selected books for our trivia tournament!



*American as Paneer Pie* is one of our selected BATTLE BOOKS! Tune into our podcast to hear an interview with the author!

## Ongoing Early Literacy Program

ZOOM STORYTIME

FIRST THREE WEDNESDAYS OF THE MONTH

VIRTUAL EVENT

WEDNESDAYS  
10:30 AM

SIGN-UP REQUIRED  
EMAIL:  
[EVERETT@FADL.ORG](mailto:EVERETT@FADL.ORG)

Ferndale  
MAYOR DAVID CROSBY

Our weekly storytime for toddlers is an interactive early literacy program hosted via Zoom! Our Youth Librarians perform stories and engage with kids ages 1-4 (but parent participation is required!). These events are hosted on the first three Wednesdays of each month! To sign-up, email us at: [everett@fadl.org](mailto:everett@fadl.org)

# Youth Events

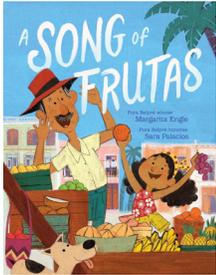
## MAY

### Lower Elementary Book Club

May 4 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*A Song of Frutas* by Margarita Engle.



Students (grades K-2) can be signed up online at our website. Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.

### Free Comic Book Day

May 7 - 1 pm - 4 pm

In-Person (all ages):

Free comic books available at the library, courtesy of Comics & More (Madison Heights). Join us for crafts and activities to celebrate our love of comics and pop culture. While supplies last.



### Upper Elementary Book Club

May 11 - 6:30 pm

Via Zoom:

*Aquicorn Cove* by Kay O'Neill. Students (grades 3-5) can be signed up online at our website. Contact our Youth Librarians to reserve a copy or place a hold through our online catalog.

### Painting with Mr. Lamarr

May 14 - 2 pm - K-5

Via Zoom:

An interactive painting workshop for kids led by Teaching Artist, Mr. Lamarr. Supplies provided.

### Pokémon Club

May 18 - 6 pm - ages 7-12

Via Zoom:

A place to gather, learn, and have fun talking about Pokémon video games, cards, books, shows, and more!



For more info on any of our events, visit [www.fadl.org](http://www.fadl.org).

## March is Reading Month

There are several ways for our younger patrons to get into the spirit of Reading Month here at the library.

### PRE-K CHILDREN

For our youngest readers, we offer the ongoing 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. Parents and caregivers can sign up at the Youth Services Desk in our Kids Corner to receive a printed-out reading log. The goal is to read 1,000 books (yes, you can repeat books) with your child before they start kindergarten. Those books add up pretty quickly considering that one picture book or one board book per night adds up to 365 books per year! Stop by the Kids Corner for more info!

### ONLINE BOOKLISTS (all ages)

Parents and caregivers can find monthly articles from our youth librarians with themed recommendations spotlighting a variety of books for all ages—toddlers, elementary, middle school, and young adults. Find these booklists online at [fadl.org/youth](http://fadl.org/youth).



## EBOOKS, AUDIOBOOKS, AND MORE (all ages)

We like to say that the “digital library” is open 24/7, which means that you can always access eBooks and Audiobooks for all ages by using your Ferndale Library card to download titles from resources like **Libby** and **Hoopla**, which feature search filters that provide results for younger audiences only. **Tumblebooks** is an online collection of animated, talking picture books that teach children the joy of reading in a format they'll love.



Library Patron

**FIRST STOP FRIDAY: LIVE LOCAL MUSIC**

Our monthly live music events showcasing local bands returned this winter; we've got two more shows coming up on Friday, March 11, and Friday, April 8; doors open at 7:30 pm and music begins at 8 pm. These after-hours concerts are brought to you by the Friends of the Ferndale Library. While the library normally closes at 6 pm on Fridays, the doors reopen at 7:30 pm for these special occasions, providing music fans access to our Community Room to enjoy a free show!

**JACKAMO**

**March 11 at 7:30 pm**

Detroit based sister duo Alison and Tessa Wiercioch draw inspiration from a variety of artists but the one thing they focus on is the evocative powers of harmony and melody. But fans of folk and Americana music will certainly dig Jackamo; they draw inspiration from Wilco, the Milk Carton Kids and First Aid Kit.



**DUENDE**

**April 8 at 7:30 pm**

Duende defy genre categorization altogether—fusing country-twang with neo-psychedelia and garage-punk with rockabilly—but they've continually delivered on charm and adrenaline. They've been eager to play a library gig for quite a while and have assured us they're particularly looking forward to this show! Don't miss it!

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Any questions? [info@fadl.org](mailto:info@fadl.org)

FERNDALE AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY & FERNDALE UPPER ELEMENTARY PRESENT

**BATTLE OF THE BOOKS  
2022**

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27**

This spring, all FUEL 5th graders ARE competing against their classmates in a trivia-style competition of book knowledge!

THE 2022 BATTLE BOOKS ARE



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