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Fall 2026

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AUTUMN IS HERE

With the arrival of Fall brings cooler weather, crunchy leaves, and statistics! Every end-of-fiscal year we compiled detailed reports for the State and I'd like to share some really exciting numbers with you!

This year, we had an increase in annual Library visits: 74,000 people walked through our doors! This is a whopping 20% increase from last year, which we believe is partly due to expanding our open hours to include Wednesday evenings. Our program attendance also shot up this year to over 20,000 people coming to all our programs! Which means our two-year increase in programming attendance is over 70%. As you can see we've been really busy!! Read on to see what awesome programs we have coming up this Fall, and see you soon!

Sondra Murphy,
Library Director

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ADULT PROGRAMS

AUTUMN 2026

Dustin Pari: The Montauk Project

Worcester County Sheriff's Office Hour

Afternoon Tea Party

Yoga

Grow Your Local Business in the Era of AI

Japanese Art of Flower Arranging

D&D One Shot

Ayurveda 101

Bites, Books, and Blooms (Tickets required)

Digital Literacy Course: Computer Skills

"Balance" All Levels Yoga

Sultana Performs The American Story

Autumn Soul Collage

Adult Education Community Advising Hour

Angel of the Battlefield: Author Talk

D&D One Shot

A Musical Tribute to Civil War Poetry

"Balance" All Levels Yoga

Ghostly Tales of the Berkshires

Stories of Fact & Folklore for the 250th

Urumqi Road Film Screening

Cat Moon Shadow Concert

D & D One shot

Mushroom Nightlights

Balance All Levels Yoga

SEPT. 3RD 6:30 PM

SEPT. 4TH 9:00 AM

SEPT. 10TH 5:30 PM

SEPT. 12TH 9:15 AM

SEPT. 14TH 6:30 PM

SEPT. 21ST 6:00 PM

SEPT. 21ST 5:00 PM

SEPT. 22ND 6:30 PM

SEPT. 23RD 6:00 PM

SEPT. 29TH 5:30 PM

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OCTOBER 1ST 6:30 PM

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OCTOBER 5TH 11:30 AM

OCTOBER 15TH 6:00 PM

OCTOBER 19TH 5:00 PM

OCTOBER 22ND 6:30 PM

OCTOBER 27TH 6:30 PM

OCTOBER 29TH 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 5TH 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 10TH 6:00 PM

NOVEMBER 12TH 6:30 PM

NOVEMBER 16 5:00 PM

NOVEMBER 19TH 6:00 PM

NOVEMBER 24TH 6:30 PM

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CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

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Storytime and Apples at Lapsley Orchard
Elephant and Piggie Party
Snack Club: Apple Treats
Fluffy Slime
Horror Talks: Conversation with Ryan La Sala
Autumn Slime
Haunted Library
Snack Club: Hershey's Taste Test
Annual Pumpkin Glow (Session 1)
Annual Pumpkin Glow (Session 2)
Halloween Storytime & Costume Parade
Ed Popielarczyk Magic Show
Tiny Art Show: Tin Foil Art
Snack Club: Mini Banana Chocolate Chip Muffins
Pumpernickel Puppets

SEPT. 18TH AT 4:00 PM
SEPT 19TH AT 10:30 AM
SEPT. 21ST AT 5:30 PM
SEPT. 28TH AT 4:00 PM
OCTOBER 14TH AT 6:30 PM
OCTOBER 15TH AT 4:00 PM
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WEEKLY EVENTS FOR KIDS AUTUMN 2026



Creators Club

MONDAYS AT 4:00 PM

Toddler Storytime

MONDAYS AT 10:30 AM

Tiny Groovers

TUESDAYS AT 10:30 AM

Kim the Lego Lady *Registration*

**FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY OF EVERY
MONTH AT 4:00 PM**

STEM Beginnings: Young Scientists

**THURSDAYS: SEPT 24TH THROUGH
OCT 29TH AT 10:30 AM**

Registration

Wiggles & Giggles *Registration

**THURSDAYS: NOVEMBER 5TH
THROUGH DECEMBER 17TH *NO CLASS
NOVEMBER 26TH * AT 10:30 AM**

through YFCP website*



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FAMILY PROGRAMMING

The Gladys Kelly Library has been expanding its intergenerational programming as part of our regular schedule! Fun and engaging activities for children and the adults help strengthen bonds, encourage learning, and support meaningful connections across generations. These shared experiences allow knowledge and traditions to be passed down while promoting creativity and well-being. We look forward to continuing to offer welcoming activities that engage people of all ages.



Puzz Fest

September 17th
6:00 – 7:30 pm

Flowers for Everyone: Intro to Floral Design

September 24th
6:00 – 7:30 pm

Goose Returns!!!

September 26th at 11:00 – 12:00 pm

Marigold Seed Harvesting

October 6th
4:30–5:30 pm

Autumnal Paint Party with Emmerly Lane

October 8th at
6:00 – 7:30 pm

Tiny Art Show: Clay Creatures

November 4th
5:30–6:30 pm

Tiny Art Show: Mini Picture Frames

November 12th
5:00–6:00 pm

Discover Needle Felting and Fairy Garden Bling!

November 18th
6:00–7:30 pm



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Support the library at
our annual fundraiser!



BITES, BOOKS & BLOOMS

\$50

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER
23RD 6:00–8:00 PM

Join us for a magical night out, all
while supporting your local library!
Enjoy local food, a live band, and a
stunning array of floral
arrangements inspired by books.

Scan the QR code to
purchase tickets!

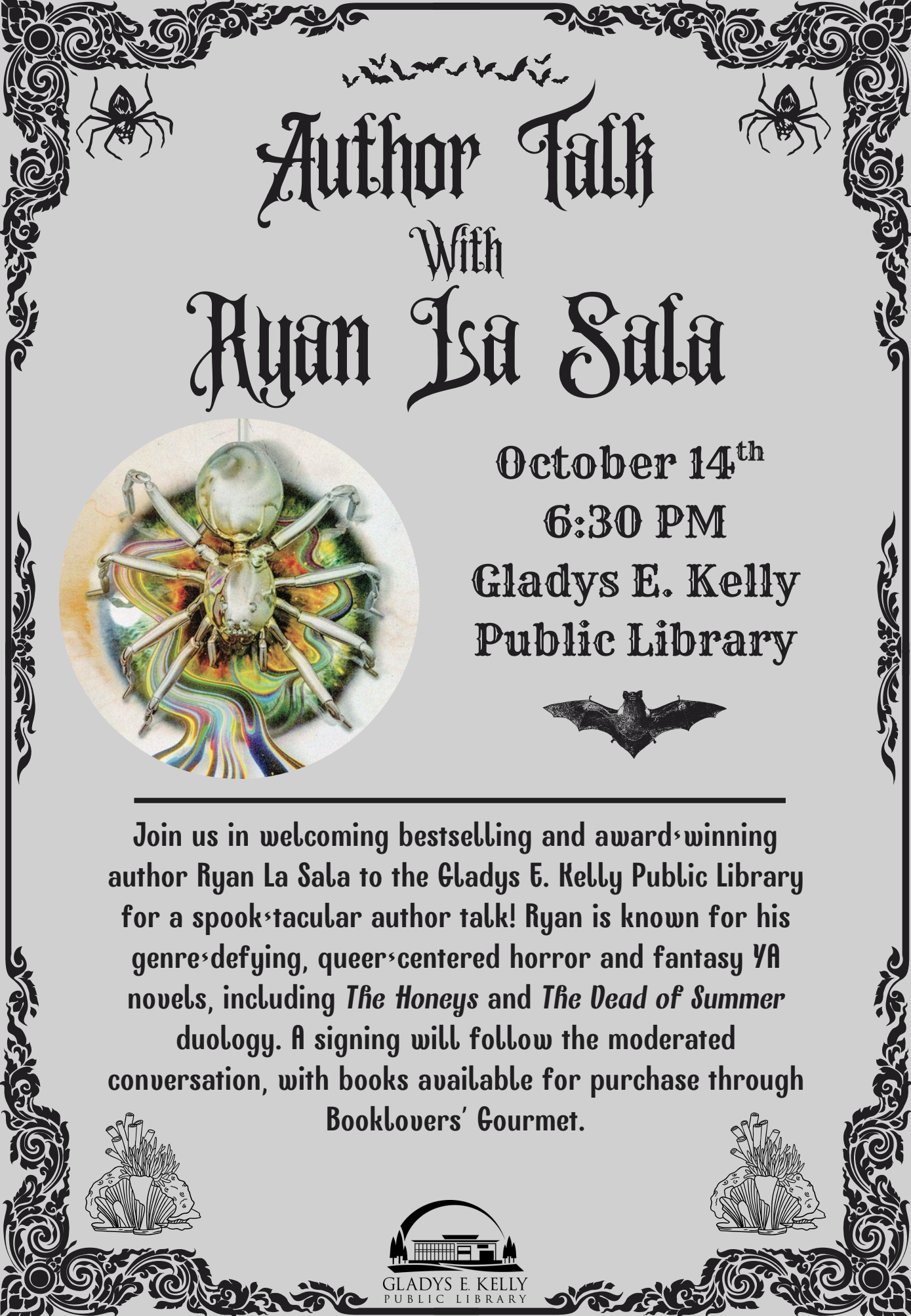


Ticket proceeds support free
library programs for all ages.



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Author Talk

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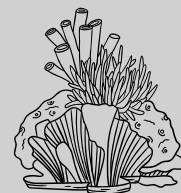
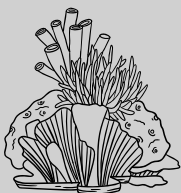
Ryan La Sala



October 14th
6:30 PM
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Join us in welcoming bestselling and award-winning author Ryan La Sala to the Gladys E. Kelly Public Library for a spook-tacular author talk! Ryan is known for his genre-defying, queer-centered horror and fantasy YA novels, including *The Honeys* and *The Dead of Summer* duology. A signing will follow the moderated conversation, with books available for purchase through Booklovers' Gourmet.



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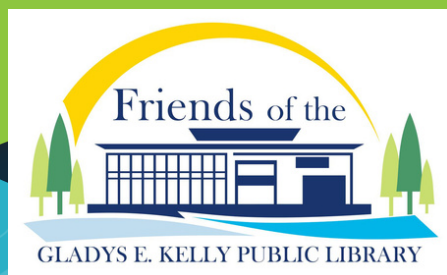
Hello from the Friends of Gladys Kelly Library!

FRIENDS' ANNUAL MEETING

**Thursday,
September 17th
6:00PM**

in the Community Room

**Current and prospective Friends of the Gladys
E. Kelly Public Library are invited to attend.**



THE GLADYS E. KELLY
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PRESENTS...

TINY ART SHOW

CALLING ALL ART LOVERS! THE GLADYS E. KELLY PUBLIC LIBRARY IS HOSTING A TINY ART SHOW, SHOWCASING MINIATURE MASTERPIECES FROM OUR COMMUNITY.

ALL AGES AND SKILL LEVELS ARE WELCOME! STARTING MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND, PICK UP A 3 IN. X 3 IN CANVAS AT THE CIRCULATION OR CHILDREN'S DESK. ANY MEDIUM IS ENCOURAGED – FROM PAINTING AND PHOTOGRAPHY, TO SCULPTURE.

WATCH OUR CALENDAR FOR DROP-IN EVENTS TO CREATE YOUR SUBMISSION WITH US.



IMPORTANT DATES:

CANVAS PICK UP:
NOVEMBER 2ND-21ST

ART SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24TH!
PLEASE BE SURE TO COMPLETE THE
SUBMISSION FORM WITH YOUR
ARTWORK.

ARTWORK ON DISPLAY:
ALL OF DECEMBER



Walktober Historical Walking Tour

**Saturday, October 17
10:00—11:00 AM**

Explore downtown Webster

Join Allison Horrocks from the National Park Service for an historic walking tour of downtown Webster! Whether you're a lifelong resident, new to the area, or just visiting for the day, you're sure to learn something new.



All ages welcome; meet in the lobby.

Participants will gather in the library's lobby before a guided walk through history—down the French River and back along storied Main Street.



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Enroll your child for free monthly books!



Inspire your child's love of reading with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library



FREE BOOKS FOR KIDS!

If you have a child from 0-5 years old, register them today for free monthly books.

How It Works:

- Enroll your child online at www.imaginationlibrary.com or visit the Library in person.
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- Books arrive in the mail monthly until your child's 5th birthday.

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