

Our Impact in June | By the numbers

Visitors	36,572	Events	138	Attendees	4,456
Items Borrowed	39,637	All Ages	8	All Ages	635
New Items Added	592	Adults	36	Adults	592
Reference Questions	1281	Teens	14	Teens	163
Makerspace Tools Borrowed	184	Kids	80	Kids	3066

Happening at the Library | JULY

Reading Dragons

Reading Dragons is nearing **one thousand readers** as July winds down! "Dragon Trainers" have been earning one card for every two days they've read, starting with an egg that evolves into an adult dragon. The program helps build daily reading habits—several families say their kids now wake up excited to read! If every reader read each day this summer, we'd have over 40,000 cards earned. That's a lot of dragons on the loose!



Some of this year's most popular Reading Dragon trading cards.

A few of the 120 crafters who attended the Stitch-Your-Own-Dragon event in July.

Summer Crafting

It's been a busy few months at the Workshop's **Make-It! Club** keeping up with the summer rush. This community favorite program is staffed by a rotation of Youth Services and Innovation & Communications librarians who each bring their own unique perspective to weekly drop-in projects for kids ages 5 to 10. This month, a few local teens were so excited about our Ocean Slime Jars project that they spontaneously volunteered to help staff set up the supplies - how thoughtful is that?

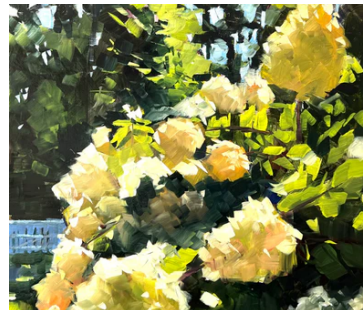
Kids show off their creations at sessions of Make-It! Club



Concord Inside and Out

This month's Munroe Gallery exhibition featured the work of **Laurie Engdahl** and **Kay Hudgins**. Engdahl's focus was on the New England landscape, capturing light and shadow, and its influence on the landscape. Also featured were her works exploring abstract floral still life subject matter in both oils and watercolors. Hudgins' artwork was in the landscape or "nature-derived" category. Inspired by time spent in local conservation lands and open spaces, or from plants themselves, whether they are weeds in her garden, or flowers on her table, or Dutch Golden Age floral masterpieces.

"Concord Inside and Out" exhibition in the Munroe Gallery



Need a Laugh?

Librarian Rachel D'Amore-Bonish created a book display including all kinds of books to make you LOL.

She says, "Who doesn't enjoy a good laugh? Whether it's a little chuckle or a hearty guffaw the act of laughing makes us feel better. The power of humor to transport from a place of sadness to a place of happiness, if even for a moment, is nothing to be underestimated."

Librarian Rachel poses with her book display.

