The Road Not Taken, a fine art exhibit inspired by the poetry of Robert Frost, comes to the Walpole Town Library and the North Walpole Branch Library in Walpole NH – September - October, 2022.

The Road Not Taken, a fine art exhibit inspired by the poetry of Robert Frost, is making the rounds of libraries and nature centers throughout the state of New Hampshire. The presentation, designed by three Derry artists, Ingeborg V. Seaboyer, Judy Krassowski and Corinne Dodge, features approximately 30 works that reflect a variety of personal interpretations of the most famous as well as some of the “less traveled” works of one of America’s most inspiring poets, Robert Frost. Images in pen and ink, watercolor, acrylics and oils are accompanied by a selected verse that inspired each individual work. An exhibit reference book provides additional information on the artists as well as upcoming exhibit venues.

Originally the exhibit was created to support the grand re-opening of the Derry Public Library, Derry NH, in September, 2011. Since that time, the exhibit has been touring libraries and community venues in southern New Hampshire. Additional scheduling is underway to present The Road Not Taken, with a goal of reaching all of the public libraries in the state.

Please help! The Friends of the Library need your help!

Preparations for our annual Book Sale are in full swing. The Friends of the Library Book Sale will take place at the Walpole School gym on the weekend of October 28 - 30. We are currently looking for community help with the following: Book Sorting at the Chicken Coop (behind the Hungry Diner) Every Wednesday morning, 10:30 to 11:30 am. Every Thursday afternoon, 4:00 to 5:00 pm.

New Caregivers Support Group

Are you caring for a relative, a friend, a neighbor? A new Caregiver Support Group will start in the fall at the library. Walpole resident Judy Epstein will facilitate the group. Judy has worked as a mediator and facilitator and has many years’ experience counselling caregivers and leading support groups. Come to share information, seek support, and get ideas from others in the same situation. We will hold an information session on Tuesday, September 13, at 2:00 p.m. in the Hubbard Community Room.

September is National Library Card Sign-Up Month! Bring in your family, friends and neighbors to get a card. "A library card is the start of a lifelong adventure." ~Lilan Jackson Braun
Non–Fiction Book Spotlight


To be a successful gardener, you need to know two things: how to do something and when to do it. Both concepts are thoroughly tackled in The Month-By-Month Gardening Guide. This comprehensive approach to gardening guides home gardeners—whether you are growing vegetables, flowers, or houseplants—through a year of growing. Throughout, the emphasis is on organic, wildlife-friendly techniques. By following the guidance detailed in this hardworking primer, you’ll be well on your way to a beautiful and bountiful garden that will provide pleasure throughout the year.

Fiction Book Spotlight

*Portrait of an Unknown Woman* by Daniel Silva

Legendary spy and art restorer Gabriel Allon has at last severed ties with Israeli intelligence and settled quietly in Venice, the only place he has ever truly known peace. His beautiful wife, Chiara, has taken over day-to-day management of the Tiepolo Restoration Company, and their two young children are clandestinely enrolled in a neighborhood scuola elementare. For his part, Gabriel spends his days wandering the streets and canals of the watery city, parting company with the demons of his tragic, violent past.

But when the eccentric London art dealer Julian Isherwood asks Gabriel to investigate the circumstances surrounding the rediscovery and lucrative sale of a centuries-old painting, he is drawn into a deadly game of cat and mouse where nothing is as it seems.

Gabriel soon discovers that the work in question, a portrait of an unidentified woman attributed to Sir Anthony van Dyck, is almost certainly a fiendishly clever fake. To find the mysterious figure who painted it—and uncover a multibillion-dollar fraud at the pinnacle of the art world—Gabriel conceives one of the most elaborate deceptions of his career. If it is to succeed, he must become the very mirror image of the man he seeks: the greatest art forger the world has ever known.

Stylish, sophisticated, and ingeniously plotted, Portrait of an Unknown Woman is a wildly entertaining journey through the dirty side of the art world—a place where unscrupulous dealers routinely deceive their customers, and deep-pocketed investors treat great paintings as though they were just another asset class to be bought and sold at a profit. From its elegant opening passage to the shocking twists of its climax, the novel is a tour de force of storytelling.

Get to Know Our Staff

Each month we’ll ask a staff member these five questions to get to know them better.

**Lil DeCoste, Library Assistant**

1. **What does your family look like?** I have a son who lives in Keene, a daughter and her fiancé who live in South Portland, Maine. I’m also lucky enough to have 3 grandsons: 1 in Brooklyn and 2 in Keene.

2. **What’s the last book you read?** The last book I read was *The Latecomer* by Jean Hanford Korelitz. While I liked it a lot, the one I am reading now, *Friendship Point*, is fantastic! I recommend it to all who happen to fall in my age group! It’s sad, funny and, oh so perceptive of the aging process.

3. **What 3 things would you bring to a deserted island?** I don’t mean to mimic Julie but, like her, I could never survive a deserted island without my knitting and lots of books! It worries me to think how long I might be there and how I ever could replenish the supply.

4. **If you could travel anywhere where would you go?** I’ve always said I wanted to go to Ireland and my family is going to do that this fall. When that is over, my dream would be to hop on one of the Mississippi River boats and go up and down the river.

5. **What was your first job?** My first job was working in a drive-in ice cream shop very similar to the Dairy Joy. I did that every summer from the time I was 14 until I graduated from college. I must have done something right because that ice cream shop in still there in Sharon, Vermont!

Museum Passes at the Library

Did you know we have free and/or reduced price passes to local museums? Check out the list below:

*The Bandwagon Summer Series
*Brattleboro Museum & Art Center
*Currier Museum
*American Precision Museum
*Eric Carle Museum
*The Fells
*Mass MOCA
*Montshire Museum*Vermont
*Institute of Natural Science (VINS)
*Wild Goose Players