

CABOT PUBLIC LIBRARY

NEWS & PROGRAMS SEPTEMBER 2026

LIBRARY HOURS: Monday noon – 6 p.m., Tuesday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Wednesday 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.,
Thursday noon – 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. – noon.
Curbside library service is still available during regular library hours.

WELCOME!

Please join us in welcoming our new hires – Darren Celley and Clementine O'Connor!
Visit the library on Wednesdays and Thursdays to say hi to Darren and on Saturdays to
say hi to Clementine.



I'm Darren. I like soccer, reading, and talking to people!
My favorite authors include Stephen King, Andy Weir,
and John Flanagan. I am happy to be working
alongside the wonderful library team. I'm grateful for
this opportunity to serve our community.

I'm Clementine. I love all sorts of books but Shirley
Jackson is the author I could talk about for hours. I live
right in Cabot Village with far too many cats and play
music in my free time. I've visited the Cabot Library since
I was very little and I'm so excited to be part of the
library team!

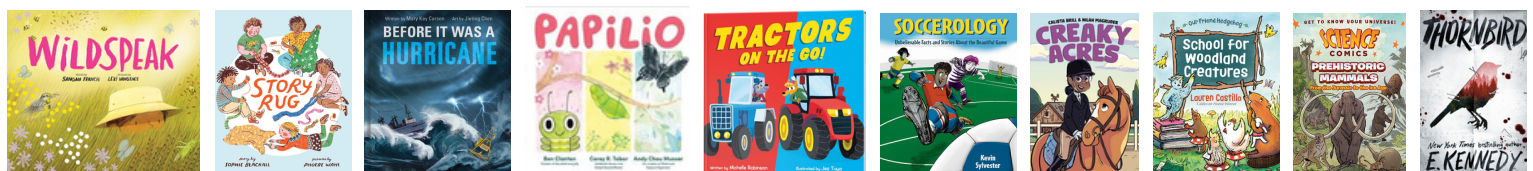


Visit the library to check out a new book!



ADULT

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September 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Jiu Jitsu	4	5
6	7 CLOSED	8	9 Mah Jongg	10 Jiu Jitsu	11	12
13	14	15 D & D	16 Story Time	17 Jiu Jitsu	18	19
20	21	22 D & D	23 Story Time Cooking with Kids	24 Book Group Jiu Jitsu	25	26
27	28	29 D & D	30 Story Time			
30	31	** All programs and events are free and all are welcome! Visit our website at cabotlibrary.com or check FPF for added programs. If you have a program suggestion or question, please email amandaotto.cabotlibrary@gmail.com				



Mah Jongg Meetup - September 9 - 10 a.m. - noon.

Play the ancient tile game with friends and neighbors. Game sets will be available for use, no equipment is needed. Both fun and challenging, the game of Mah Jongg is said to improve memory, decision-making skills and patience.

Dungeons and Dragons (ages 11+) Ongoing,

Tuesdays (starting September 15) - **3:30 - 5 p.m.** Join Losada Stoddard as DM. Come for the mysteries and magic, tails and talons, puzzles and prophecies!

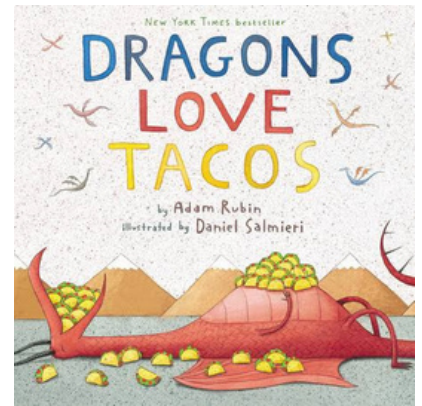


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Story & Activity Time (birth - ages 5+) Ongoing, (starting September 16) **Wednesdays, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Cabot Rec Field Pavilion** Join Amanda Otto for stories, songs, crafts, snacks and open play. Visit the library afterwards to discover our new selection of picture books, take-home kits and more. All are welcome!

Cooking with Kids - (monthly, ages 6+) - Wednesday, **September 23 - 2:30 - 4 pm** - Join Amanda and Reeve Basom from the Center for the Agricultural Economy for a salsa making party inspired by Adam Rubin's book *Dragons Love Tacos*. We'll read the story and then become chefs as we chop, mix, season and create our very own not-too-spicy salsa! This program combines storytelling, hands-on food prep, kitchen safety, math through measuring and basic nutrition.



Registration is required - space is limited.

Please email amandaotto.cabotlibrary@gmail.com for more details or to sign up.



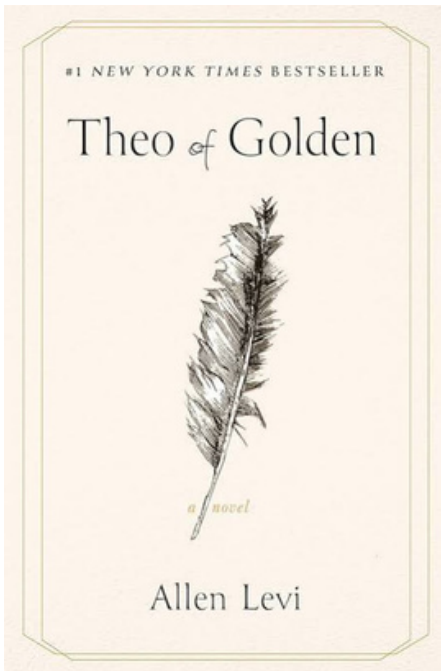
Gracie Jiu-Jitsu for Young Kids (ages 6+) - **Ongoing, Thursdays** (starting September 17) - **3:30 - 5 pm - Willey Building 3rd FL** - Join Yeshua Boyer for a fun, beginner-friendly introduction to Gracie Jiu-Jitsu for young kids. Classes will focus on the "Gracie Games" and are inspired by the Gracie Bullyproof program for kids. Jiu-jitsu is the "gentle art," and Gracie Jiu-Jitsu focuses on empowering smaller individuals to

use leverage to restrain larger, faster, stronger opponents. We will provide a safe, supportive environment for students to practice specific drills and games focused on body safety, listening to instructions, staying calm, and showing respect for each other. You are welcome to join any one of the classes or all of them. No special gear or clothing is required, though we recommend comfortable, athletic or fitness wear. A \$5-10/class donation is not required, but is appreciated to help us cover the costs of insurance and the mats. All are welcome! Yeshua Boyer has studied and taught kids and adults Gracie Jiu-Jitsu over the last 13 years. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join and learn how to play these games with their kids. To learn more about the Gracie kids' program visit - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NCvZpU4JvM>

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Cabot Book Group - Thursday, September 24 - 2pm

September's book selection is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. One spring morning, a stranger named Theo arrives in the small Southern city of Golden. He doesn't explain much about where he came from or why he's there—but when he visits the local coffeehouse, where pencil portraits of the people of Golden hang on the walls, he begins purchasing them, one at a time, and giving each portrait to the person depicted. In exchange, he asks only for the person's story. A story of giving and receiving, of seeing and being seen, *Theo of Golden* is an unforgettable novel about the power of generosity, the importance of connection, and the quiet miracles that happen when we choose kindness and wonder.



Email cabotlibrary@yahoo.com for more info and to be added to the book group email list.

Upcoming Programs in Early October

Chinese Medicine Discussion: Fall, Letting Go, and the Lungs

Thursday, October 1 - 6pm - Do you ever wonder why respiratory issues seem to spike every autumn? In Chinese Medicine, each season relates to specific internal organs and elements. Join local acupuncturist Christina Ducharme to explore the energies of autumn and the Metal element. We'll discuss how to release what no longer serves us, honor the harvest of our past experiences, and practice simple at-home acupressure techniques to support the Lungs and Large Intestine through the seasonal shift.



Nature Illustration Workshop - Tuesday, October 6 - 3:30 pm

Join members of the Lake Champlain Basin Program to learn how to draw your favorite plants and wildlife. You don't have to be an expert illustrator to share the beauty of our ecosystems with others. Draw what species you love most and show what makes them special. People want to save the things they love!

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Congratulations to all of our young readers - we had a record breaking year with over 90 youth participating in the Summer Reading Program! If you haven't claimed your prizes yet, visit the library soon!



Thanks to all of our program collaborators and to you for making the effort to join us at the library and pavilion for events, resources, books, movies, play time, creativity, and connection - it was a wonderful summer! Here are some pictures from our final summer program with the Circus Smirkus Road Show.



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Teen Employment Program

This summer the library hired Cabot residents Tom Brink, Freya Van Deusen, and Amyra Simmons to work at the library. This 6 week program pays teens up to 10 hours per week to gain experience working with patrons of all ages during the library's busiest programming season. Some of their weekly commitments include reading and providing activities during Story & Activity Time, designing and implementing their own programs during Tuesdays with Teens and Summer Fun Nights, creating flyers, packaging and mailing books to new families as part of our Read to Me Program, supporting visiting instructors, and helping to organize, sort and set up hundreds of donated books for our annual Book Sale. Above all, they learn how to support each other and make lasting connections with the community. **Turn to page 14 of the September issue of *The Cabot Chronicle* to read their reflections and see more photos.** *This program was generously funded by the Wiswell Foundation*



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Thanks so much to our library subs Marianne Robotham, Grace Hoffman, Vicki Palmer, and Billie O'Connor, and to Liz Gaines, Jennifer Gochey, and Henry Burke for volunteering at the library. We are so grateful to our Library Trustees who provide support and direction: Angela Ogle, Leah Sare, Kurt Steinert, Erin Ruddell, and Taeryn Robbins.

See you at the library!

Kathleen Hoyne - Co-Director

Amanda Otto - Co-Director