



# Library news

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## Bounce & Rhyme

We are pleased to say that Bounce & Rhyme sessions are returning to some of our libraries. Please book a place in advance and hurry, before they go! It's lovely to be welcoming parents, carers and children back into the library, creating a happy buzz. For more information and to book please call us on 01603 774777.

We are continuing to open up our activities in libraries so please [check our website](#) for the latest news.

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## Hunstanton Library has moved

Hunstanton Library has moved to our lovely temporary premises on Valentine Road. For the new address and opening times, please [visit our website](#). We look forward to seeing you soon!

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## Shaped by Novels

As part of the BBC 100 Novels that Shaped Our World promotion, readers across the UK are being asked to share the novel that have been an escape, solace and comfort during the pandemic, or a book that has given them hope for the future.

For inspiration, [watch this clip on YouTube](#). And please [fill out the form](#) before the end of June to have your say and help make Norfolk part of this national survey.

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## New books coming to a library near you

We're very excited that latest Elly Griffiths, [The Night Hawks](#), is now on its way to libraries. Check out the [library catalogue](#) for all the books in her series. Thank you for your patience in waiting for your reserved books to arrive.

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## The Great Get Together 18 - 20 June

*"We are far more united and have far more in common than that which divides us."*

The Great Get Together is an initiative inspired by the late Jo Cox designed to bring people together to celebrate what they have in common. Through the Great Get Together, we ask people across the country to make new connections and promote Jo's message of unity. While we are unable to host get-togethers in our libraries, we do have an exciting range of online activities including Book Clubs, Reading Friends and much more. Visit our [What's On Pages](#) to find out what's happening and how you can join in.

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### Read My Mind

Are you a man looking for a way to improve your mental health? Why not try reading for wellbeing! Our "Read My Mind" project is aimed at men aged 18+ who experience depression or low mood levels and would like to explore the benefits of social reading activities.

You'll receive two free books by Matt Haig plus a short welcome questionnaire to help us understand your interests and what reading activities you might like.

We've previously held online poetry workshops and Shared Reading sessions to enjoy being read to and share our favourite reads.

If you'd like to chat about books and get reading recommendations, join our Zoom "Reading for Wellbeing" sessions which run fortnightly on Thursday's at 7pm (17 June, 1 July, 15 July and beyond). To request a Zoom invitation or if you have any questions,

please email [libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk)

We've just released a [new podcast](#) brimming with ideas of what to read next. Including recommendations from library staff and Read My Mind participants.

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## Norfolk Makers Festival

### Meet the Makers

To celebrate [The Norfolk Makers Festival](#), which is being held at The Forum in Norwich until 11 June, we have an extra special Zoom 'Just a Cuppa' on Wednesdays at 10.30am. Join us to meet some of the makers and find out more about their work.

On Wednesday 9 June at 10.30am, Mary will be chatting to Julie from Alby Stained Glass who will discuss the craft and its techniques, advise any makers who may be having problems with projects and the benefits of creating something that potentially could be around for a very long time.

To take part, please email [libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:libraries.iconnect@norfolk.gov.uk) and you'll be sent your personal invite.

### Turn your passion for crafting into a business

Calling all potters, weavers, printers, woodworkers, photographers etc. Have you ever dreamt of ditching the day job and turning your passion for creating into a profitable business?

As part of The Norfolk Makers Festival, the Forum Trust and Business & IP Centre Norfolk have brought together panellists to share tips for establishing successful enterprises out of the creative skills you have and crafts you love. This free online event on Thursday 10 June, 6.30pm, will be compered by the Forum Trust's Jayne Evans; producer of Norfolk Makers Festival and keen knitter and stitcher.

'Craft to Career' begins with a discussion and hearing from our panellists about their experience in supporting makers, crafting and creativity to show how you can turn your passion into a profitable business. There will be also be time for Q&A. Find out more and register on BIPC Norfolk's [Eventbrite](#) page.

### Crafting Online

Don't forget that we are still running creative sessions such as 'Knit and Natter' and 'Drop in and craft' online. [Visit our website](#) for all the details.



## eAudio on Borrowbox

If you haven't already tried Borrowbox, our new eAudio app, then why not give it a go? Visit [our website](#) for tips on using our digital services. During June we'll be featuring two fantastic titles:

Now You See Her by Heidi Perks

*"Now You See Her takes every parents' worst nightmare and spins it into a tense psychological thriller that's difficult to put down."* - Culture Fly

The Doll Factory by Elizabeth Macneal

*"This brilliant literary thriller gripped me from the opening page and didn't relinquish its hold until I'd read the final sentence. The Doll Factory conjures 1850s London in all its grime and glory, possibility and restriction in absorbing, immersive detail. Elizabeth Macneal has created that rare thing: a beautifully researched historical novel with a plot to stop your heart. If this is her first book, I can barely wait to see what she writes next"* - Hannah Kent, author of Burial Rites and The Good People

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## Online catalogue downtime

Our [online catalogue](#) is going to be taken down for some essential maintenance work on Wednesday 16 June. The work will start at 8pm and will be completed by 8am on the following morning.

Many thanks for bearing with us!

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## Libraries Online

We are still running lots of regular activities online for you to keep in touch with library staff

and other library customers, so please [take a look](#) and join us. We also have new storytimes and bounce and rhyme times on the [Norfolk Libraries for Families Facebook page](#) every week. Like and follow us to ensure you are always notified when something new is posted. And don't forget that we offer a wide range of [eBooks](#), [eAudio](#), [eNewspapers](#) and [eMagazines](#).

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