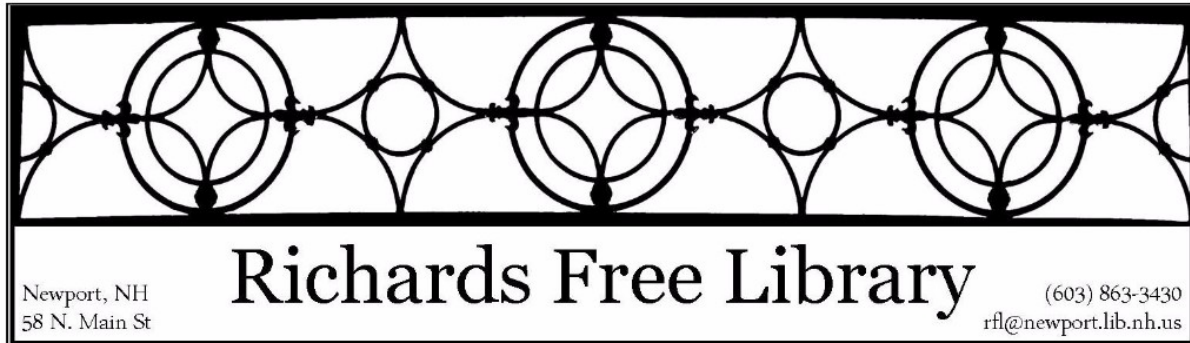


## June 2016 Newsletter

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### Summer Reading Program Kickoff

Tuesday, June 21

Registration from 10:00 to 5:00

A performance at 11:00 by Steve Blunt, children's musician from New Hampshire. Songs and stories for all ages!

Check out website or visit the library to pick up a brochure listing all the program events.

### The Children's Department needs your help!

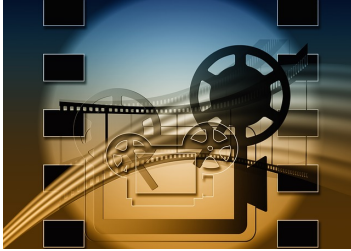
In order to make our Summer Reading Program FANTASTIC, active, and fun, we are looking for the following items:

-Hula Hoops and Jump Ropes (borrowing is fine!)  
for June 23rd

-T-shirts, all sizes (old ones for the frozen t-shirt contest as well as clean white ones for tie-

## Library Festival August 27th

We are looking for  
home baked  
cookies to make the  
cookie walk last  
longer!



### New Movies!

The 5th Wave  
A Royal Night Out  
Big Eyes  
Creed  
Hotel Transylvania  
Nightcrawler  
Remember  
Teenage Mutant Ninja  
Turtles  
Top Five  
Veronica Mars,  
Seasons 2 and 3  
War & Peace

### Hours:

Mon 1 - 6  
Tues & Thurs 10 -8  
Wed & Fri 10-6  
Sat 10-2

dying)

- Shoebox Lids (for our Marble Mazes)
- Small toys, like-new books, or other prizes  
(beanie babies, etc.)
- Gift certificates to local businesses (\$5 or \$10)



Sharon Olds  
Credit: Stephen Ladner

### Sharon Olds Is 2016 Hale Award Medalist

Richards Free Library and the Judges of the Sarah Josepha Hale award are pleased to announce that poet Sharon Olds is the 2016 Hale Award Medalist. She will accept the award on October 1, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. at the Newport Opera House.

A native of California, Sharon Olds attended Stanford University and Columbia University. She has published over a dozen collections of poetry and has won numerous awards for her work including fellowships from the Guggenheim Foundation and the National Endowment for the Arts. In 2012 she won both the Pulitzer Prize and England's T. S. Eliot Prize for Stag's Leap.

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Wes McNair, Maine Poet Laureate, says of Olds "...there is not a doubt that she is one of the major poets of her generation in America. There is also no doubt of her influence in bringing more feeling to American verse and the woman's experience."

Olds teaches in the Graduate Creative Writing Program at New York University and helped to found the NYU workshop program for residents of Goldwater Hospital on Roosevelt Island, and for veterans of Iraq and Afghanistan. She was New York State Poet from 1998 to 2000. She lives in New Hampshire and New York City.

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