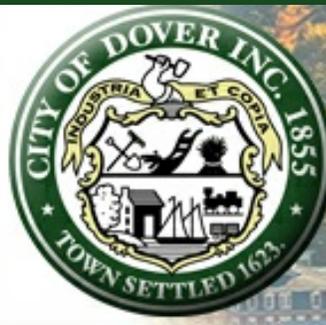


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News from the City of Dover, New Hampshire



February 17, 2023



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City Hall  
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Monday-Thursday:  
8:30 a.m. to 5:30  
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## City Council gets first look at proposed FY2024 budget

City Manager J. Michael Joyal, Jr. presented the proposed fiscal year 2024 budget to the City Council on Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, during a [special meeting](#). The presentation kicked off several weeks of budget meetings, workshops and public hearings.

The presentation is posted to the [FY2024 Budget Revealed](#)

8:30 a.m. to 3:30  
p.m.

[webpage](#). Other budget meetings and presentations will also be posted to this page as they occur as well as budget documents and other information.

The total proposed FY2024 budget totals \$183,821,915, an increase of \$4,125,089, or 2.3%. That figure includes all funds, including special revenue funds and proprietary funds. The total general fund totals \$146,705,670, an increase of \$6,930,771, or 5%. As proposed, the budget exceeds the estimated tax cap by \$483,092, and would require a two-thirds majority vote of the City Council to adopt.

The entire proposed budget, along with related budget documents and all public meetings and workshops, can be viewed on the [FY2024 Budget Revealed page](#). Hard copies of the budget are available for review at the City Clerk's office and Public Library.

### **City Council budget meetings and workshops**

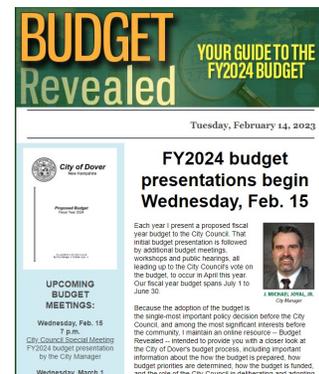
- **March 1:** Budget workshop on Executive, Finance, Recreation, Welfare, DoverNet and Library department budgets
- **March 8:** Budget workshop on the School Department budget
- **March 15:** Special meeting, including a public hearing on the School Department's budget
- **March 15:** Following the special meeting, budget workshop on the Police, Fire and Rescue, and Planning budgets
- **March 22:** Regular meeting, including a public hearing on the City portion of the proposed budget
- **March 29:** Budget workshop on the Community Services budget
- **April 5:** Budget workshop, followed by a special meeting for the adoption of the budget
- **April 12:** Regular meeting, which is also reserved as a fallback date for budget adoption, if necessary

All the above meetings and workshops will be held on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers.

### **Sign up for the Budget Revealed newsletter**

The Budget Revealed newsletter is a weekly update on the City Council's budget process. It contains brief highlights of the week's budget presentations, the upcoming schedule and other budget tidbits. To sign up for these emails,

visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters> and add "Budget Revealed" to your current email subscription list.



# ON THE AGENDA

Coming up at the next City Council meeting

## Outdoor dining permits, Racial Equity committee status on Council agenda

At the City Council's Wednesday, Feb. 22, meeting, the City Council will hold public hearings, followed by votes on pending resolutions that would:

- Create a permanent permit process to allow restaurants to have outdoor dining on public streets and sidewalks. There are two public hearings and resolutions associated with this change for modifying chapters 85 and 125 of the city's code;
- Change the Ad-Hoc Committee for Racial Equity and Inclusion from an ad-hoc to a standing committee;
- Expand the number of alternates for the Energy Commission from two to four.

The Council will also hold its second of two public hearings on the pending resolution to authorize the city's annual real estate appraisal for fiscal year 2024 (tax year 2023), with a vote to occur at the Council's March 8 meeting. The city's assessing practice has been to analyze and reassess all sections and classifications of properties annually to keep all assessments proportional and within a market level of 90% to 110%. To maintain market level and proportionality of assessments, city staff foresee that an assessment update will be necessary. If the ratio studies completed next month determine that a full-market update is unnecessary, then a citywide assessment update will not occur.

Other City Council agenda items include:

- A resolution to authorize expenditures to SMP Architecture of Concord of up to \$361,145 for the second phase of the architectural evaluation of renovations and repairs of the Dover Public Library. The phase would be broken into two parts: addressing the replacement of the boilers and sprinkler system; and the multi-story addition and alterations throughout the facility.
- Authorize the city to continue contracting with Servpro, Inc., of Dover, on an as-needed basis for cleaning services for abandoned encampments. Before FY2022, these services were under \$5,000 annually, according to the agenda materials. Since 2022, there has been a substantial increase in the need for these services. In FY2022, the city spent \$10,525.00; to date in FY2023, the city has spent \$12,778 and anticipates exceeding \$25,000 this year.

[Click here](#) for the complete agenda. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. in City Hall's Council Chambers. It will be televised on Channel 22 and online at [dovernh.viebit.com](https://dovernh.viebit.com), where it will also be available for on-demand viewing.

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# PRESIDENTS' DAY

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## City offices closed on Presidents' Day

City administrative offices, including City Hall, will be closed on Monday, Feb. 20, 2023, for Presidents' Day. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, Feb. 21.

The Public Library will also be closed on Presidents Day.

Curbside trash and recycling pickup is not affected by the holiday.

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## Downtown Pedestrian & Vehicular Access Improvement Project



## Watch presentation on downtown access improvements

The Transportation Advisory Commission held a special meeting Monday for a public presentation on the Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicular Access Improvements Project.

The presentation can be [viewed here](#).

In the presentation, project manager Mark Debowski of Greenman-Pederson, Inc., the contracted design consultant, gave an overview of preliminary design plans Greenman-Pederson created based on the 2015 Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicular Access and Streetscape Study. These designs and the 2015 report are available on the project page, [www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/planning/special-projects/downtown-access-plan/](http://www.dover.nh.gov/government/city-operations/planning/special-projects/downtown-access-plan/).

Debowski discussed current conditions in the Central Business District, the recommendation from the 2015 study to change the traffic flow on Central Avenue and Main Street, and why that change would be advantageous to pedestrians, motorists and downtown businesses. The benefits he cited included increased safety, clearer and more convenient traffic circulation,

direct access to business, residences and parking, simplified links to parking, expanded transit options, and eliminating the possibility of wrong-way travel on one-way roads.

Debowski highlighted parts of the design, including options to revamp the intersections of Lower Square, where Washington Street, Central Avenue and Henry Law Avenue meet, and Upper Square, where Main Street and Central Avenue intersect.

After the presentation, the public viewed the preliminary design plans at stations in the City Hall auditorium, asking questions to project team members and providing feedback.

Those who couldn't attend and would like to provide feedback on the draft plans can email Planning Director Donna Benton at [d.benton@dover.nh.gov](mailto:d.benton@dover.nh.gov).

The city and design consultant will select the preferred design option based on public feedback and begin creating final design plans. A second public meeting will be planned for spring/summer 2023 to review the revised plans before final construction bid documents are completed, expected by December 2023.

At the meeting, Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker said once the design is finalized, the project, anticipated to be implemented in phases, would be added to the six-year Capital Improvements Program, with work likely not starting until at least 2030.

The city will provide email updates as the project develops. To sign up for these emails, visit <https://bit.ly/dovernewsletters> and add "Project update: Downtown Pedestrian and Vehicular Access Improvements" to your current email subscription list.

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## **Deadline to order Veterans Park bricks in time for Memorial Day is Feb. 28**

The Recreation Department will order another round of engraved bricks for Dover Veterans Park to be added for Memorial Day on May 30. The deadline to have bricks included in that order is Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 4 p.m.

Orders collected after the deadline through Aug. 31, 2023, will be sent in the next batch to be installed in the park by Veterans Day. The cost is \$100 for an 8-inch by 8-inch brick and \$50 for a 4-inch by 8-inch brick. The only requirement to have a name engraved is for the person to be a veteran. All bricks are engraved consistently with a full name, military rank and branch, and years of service and/or conflict. Upon request, bricks may also be grouped by family or service time.

Orders can be placed online at <https://polarengraving.com/cityofdovernewhampshire>. Contact

the Recreation Department at 603-516-6410 with questions or help with ordering.

The Dover Veterans Park was dedicated six years ago in 2017 on Veterans Day. It now has about 900 engraved bricks honoring veterans.

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## Collection of storm debris continues for additional week

### Work will focus on current list of collection requests; no additional requests being accepted

Due to the high demand for storm-debris cleanup, the city's contracted arborist will extend its work into a third week. However, the city is no longer accepting service requests for curbside collection due to the backlog of work orders already submitted.

Crews are working to clear more than 500 service requests, reflecting 1,600 specific issues that have been listed since the beginning of February. The curbside collection is a one-time event to help clear the destruction of January's winter storm.

Community Services Director John Storer asks for the public's patience as crews work through service requests. Any work not completed by the arborist's crews will be completed by city crews as time allows.

### Property owners and residents encouraged to bring storm debris to Recycling Center

Property owners and residents cleaning up their property are encouraged to bring storm debris to the Recycling Center on Mast Road; there is no charge to do so. The Recycling Center is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Trees and debris that fall on the city's rights of way remain the property of the property owner.

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### Upcoming Meetings:

#### Parking Commission, February 21, 8:30 a.m.

The Parking Commission will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here](#).

#### Waterfront Committee, February 21, 5:30 p.m.

The Cochecho Waterfront Development Advisory Committee will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2023, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Room 305 at the McConnell Center.

To view the meeting agenda,



### Missed the meeting? Catch it again online

Don't forget: If you missed the live City Council, School Board or Planning Board meetings on Channels 22 and 95, you can catch them again, online and on demand.

Simply visit [www.dovernh.viebit.com](http://www.dovernh.viebit.com) to begin watching meetings on demand. Online meetings are organized by agenda item for convenience.

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**City Council,  
February 22, 7 p.m.**

The City Council will hold a regular meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in Council Chambers, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here.](#)

**Racial Equity and  
Inclusion Committee,  
February 23, 7 p.m.**

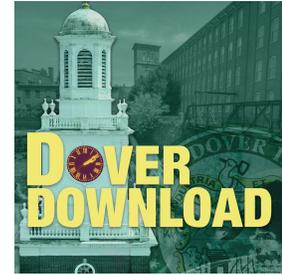
The Racial Equity and Inclusion Committee will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23, 2023, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Council Conference Room, City Hall.

To view the meeting agenda, [click here.](#)

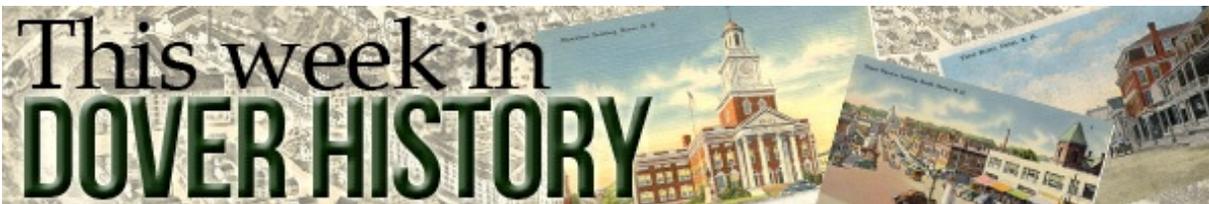
For a complete list of upcoming meetings, visit <https://www.dover.nh.gov/government/open-government/public-meetings/>.

## **Dover Download podcast: Your guide to what's happening this week**

In addition to each week's email edition of Dover Download, the City of Dover offers a weekly podcast. The podcast is hosted by Deputy City Manager Christopher Parker, who chats each week about the city's programs, services, public bodies and projects. Each episode also takes a brief detour to the past with a look back at the week in Dover's history.



The podcast is available wherever you get your podcasts, including Spotify and Apple Podcasts, and at <https://anchor.fm/cityofdovernh>.



The following events are from a variety of historical records, sources and texts about the history of Dover.

For more on the history of Dover, visit the Dover Public Library, Locust Street, and the Woodman Museum on Central Avenue. The Public Library also maintains an online collection of historical information [located here.](#)

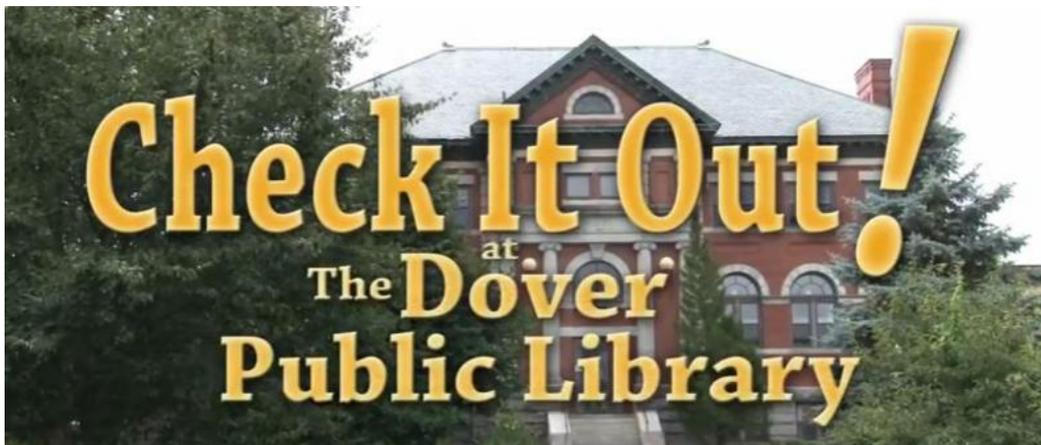
**Feb. 22, 1754** — Petitions for a new parish in Dover, by the name of Somersworth, were presented again this year, and the Assembly appointed a committee "to take a view of such part of Dover as may be necessary in order to judge whether the prayer of the petition ought to be granted or not, and make report thereof as soon as may be, the petitioners to be at the cost and charge thereof."

**Feb. 24, 1788** — A fight at a tavern in New Durham ends up in the fatal stabbing of Peter Drown by Elisha Thomas, a veteran of the Revolutionary War. Thomas was sent to the jail in Dover where he was hanged in June of that year. It was Dover's first hanging. To learn more, visit <https://youtu.be/keUxmLPBO-w>.

**Feb. 22, 1855** — The Piscataqua Bridge became impassable after 500 feet of it was carried away by ice. The bridge would not be used again.

**Feb. 23, 1917** — It is reported that the City of Dover's Street Department has spent \$129 per inch of snow in snow removal operations after a recent storm that dropped 10 inches of snow on the City.

**Feb. 24, 2002** — McIntosh College, then located on Cataract Avenue, announced it would soon celebrate the opening of its new Academy of Design and Technology, located in the former Dover Bingo Center on Rutland Street. The academy would focus on visual communications and information technology. At the time of the announcement, about 1,000 students were enrolled at the school. The City Council had rezoned portions of Rutland and Fisher streets in 2001 to allow McIntosh College to expand its campus and programming. McIntosh College had also purchased the former Holiday Inn Express in 2001 for additional student housing. The college closed in 2009. The Silver Street campus, which included a culinary academy, was later redeveloped as Silver Square. Plans to develop the former campus on Cataract Avenue include four apartment buildings.



## This Week at the Library

### February VIRTUAL Cookbook Club

Join us for a virtual exploration of *I Dream of Dinner (So You Don't Have To)* by Ali Slagle. Throughout the month of February, send in pictures of your dishes created with recipes from the book and a small description of your cooking process, how you felt about the recipe, and/or your thoughts on the book. Your creations will be shared on the library's social media pages.

Photos can be sent to Emily at [e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov](mailto:e.ainaire@dover.nh.gov) or tag the library on Instagram @doverpubliclibrary.

### February 19-25, All Day

**Teen Take and Make Kits: Handwarmers**  
Teens entering grades 6-12 are welcome to bring home a Take & Make Kit filled with supplies needed to make a small craft. This week's kit will contain supplies to sew your own hand warmer. Kits will be available beginning Feb. 18 and can be picked up in the Teen Loft (one per teen, please) while supplies last!

### Wednesday, February 22, 6:30 to 7:30 pm Get Lit! Adult Book Club

Join this adult book group to discuss *Winter in Sokcho* by Elisa Shua Dusapin at Blue Latitudes! Copies of the book will be available to borrow on Hoopla Digital and at the main circulation desk of the library. All are welcome!

### Wednesday, February 22, 7 to 7:30 p.m. Yin Yoga for Adults

Join instructor Bridget Harton this winter and spring for FREE half-hour Yin Yoga classes on the last Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Library's Lecture Hall. Wear loose comfortable clothing, and bring a yoga mat or a blanket to place on the floor. Space is limited, but registration not required.

### Thursday, February 23, 2 to 3:30 p.m. Silent Book Group

Looking for some quiet time to dedicate to reading your latest book? Look no further! Join us for some time relaxing with your peers while everyone reads their own book

**Monday, February 20**  
**Library Closed for Presidents' Day**

**Tuesday, February 21, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

**Family Concert with Amy Conley**

Families with kids of all ages are invited to join us for this interactive music program. Amy Conley, with her puppets, songs and musical surprises (playing guitar, banjo, ukulele, harmonica and percussion) will inspire people to sing, dance, laugh, and explore music and imagination together.

**Tuesday, February 21, 3 to 8 p.m.**

**Guardians of the Galaxy**  
**Movie Marathon**

Teens in grades 6-12 are invited to a free double feature showing of Guardians of the Galaxy and Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 2 (both rated PG-13). Pizza and refreshments will be served. No registration required.

**Tuesday, February 21, 6 to 8 p.m.**

**Dungeons & Dragons: Adult Group**

Drop in and play Dungeons & Dragons with Game Master Dave. This 18 & older group is for new and veteran role-playing gamers to join us in the library for adventure, imagination, and strategy. The group will meet every Tuesday night, though you do not need to have attended previous sessions to enjoy your first game. No experience or materials are required, and all skill levels are welcome to play.

**Wednesday, February 22, 3 to 4 p.m.**

**Winter STEM Event for Kids**

Enjoy an afternoon exploring Snow and Ice through Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM). Children ages 3 and up (and their caregivers) are welcome to participate in this event.

**Wednesday, Feb. 22, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

**VIRTUAL: The Dogs of Chernobyl: A Story of Hope and Resilience**

35 years after the nuclear accident, Stephen Quandt went to Chernobyl to participate in a spay/neuter and research campaign for the dogs that were descended from the pets left behind after the nuclear plant disaster of 1986. With many personally shot photos and videos, he will tell his story of meeting the inhabitants of the mostly abandoned town of Chernobyl City, the totally abandoned city of Pripyat and the dogs (and some cats!) that they encountered. It is a story of resilience, hope, life and even heroism. *Register to receive link.*

of choice. Please feel free to wear comfy clothes/pjs and bring blankets, pillows, etc. Snacks and hot chocolate will be served for maximum coziness. This event is for teens in grades 6-12.

**Thursday, February 23, 3 to 4 p.m.**

**Crafternoon for Kids: Fluffy Winter Slime**

Let's celebrate winter! Kids in grades 1 and up are invited to make and take Fluffy Winter Slime. Preschoolers with an adult caregiver are welcome to attend as well.

**Thursday, February 23, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

**Cochecho River Writers**

Join a community of local writers on the fourth Thursday of every month. Discuss ideas, get tips, and share your work with others in a low-key, inviting atmosphere. Whether you want to write creatively for fun or for publication, this group is a great way to hone your craft!

**Thursday, February 28, 6:30 to 8:15 p.m.**

**Introduction Excel**

Join us for an Introduction to Excel with Peggy! This class will cover rows, columns, formulas, sorting and more. The class size is limited to 8 people and will take place in the technology corner at the Dover Public Library. *Registration required.*

**Friday, February 24, 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.**

**Frozen Interactive Movie**

Join Anna, Elsa, Olaf and Friends for an INTERACTIVE movie viewing in the Lecture Hall. Movie Prop Bags will be provided to every child attending. Plan to sing along and have a super fun Frozen experience! Please register prior to the event.

**Friday, February 24, 2 to 3:30 p.m.**

**Jackbox Game Afternoon**

Teens in grades 7-12 are invited for a fun session of Jackbox Games! Participants will need to have access to a smartphone or tablet in order to participate (please reach out to Emily in advance if you need to borrow a device to play on). Jackbox Games are rated T for Teen.

**Saturday, February 25, 2 to 3:30 p.m.**

**Lego Club**

Come build at Lego Club! There will be a specific "Challenge-of-the-day" to work on, or you can build your own creations. This is a family event for people aged 5-99. All LEGO creations stay at the library. CAUTION: Legos are a choking hazard to children under the age of 3.



## February vacation weeks bring bigger crowds to Children's Museum

The Children's Museum of New Hampshire is open for February vacation weeks, with special hours, but is still maintaining its capacity limit and requesting that visitors reserve their spots online prior to visiting. Local schools have their February break anywhere from Feb. 19 through March 5, and CMNH has added an extra Tuesday afternoon (1-4 p.m.) play session to their regular hours to help accommodate the crowds.

"We do get very busy these last two weeks of February," said CMNH Director Jane Bard. "We've discovered that our current capacity limits help create the best environment for all our visitors, and prevent kids and parents from being overwhelmed by crowds of over 500 people. But to help us stick to those limits, we really need our visitors' help, including all our members."

The museum has set each "play session" or three hour block at a capacity of 250 individuals. By reserving tickets early online it not only helps the museum plan for busier days, but also helps speed up check-in. It's easy for members to reserve their date and time in advance as well, and costs nothing.

"We understand families can't always make their plans to visit way in advance, and if you do end up making a last-minute decision to visit, we do have limited walk-up spaces available for each session, and if you arrive within the first thirty minutes of a session start, these are typically available for you to use," Bard said. "But it's still really important that they reserve because we do NOT want to have to turn anyone away."

And conversely if plans change, the museum asks people to notify them by emailing [questions@childrens-museum.org](mailto:questions@childrens-museum.org) so they can release those spots to other families.

The museum's vacation week hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 9 a.m. to noon or 1-4 p.m., and Sundays 9 a.m. to noon.

The museum is closed between play sessions. That time is used to give staff lunch breaks and reset and clean the exhibits. There are plenty of local restaurants within a short walk of the museum if families are looking for lunch, or Lickey's and Chewy's Candies and Creamery is right across the street for those looking for a sweet treat. Also right across from the museum is The Noggin Factory toy shop.

"Or if the weather is nice, there's the Dover Adventure Playground right next to the museum, which we helped design," Bard added.

During these vacation weeks, there will be drop-in STEAM building challenges and other drop-in activities available throughout the museum, but the weekly themed programs like Wacky Art Wednesdays or Baby Storytime, will be put on hold.

The weekly programs that are included with museum admission will resume Tuesday, March 7.

Tickets for any play session during vacation weeks and beyond can be purchased online at [www.childrens-museum.org](http://www.childrens-museum.org). Ensuring accessibility to museum experiences for all is a central part of the museum's mission. Multiple admission discounts are available including military, EBT/WIC, Library discount letters, NH childcare provider, and Pre-K through 5th-grade educator discounts. Information about discounts can be found at <https://childrens-museum.org/visit/accessibility>.

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## Dover400 presents 'Meet the Authors'

Dover400, the committee organizing Dover's 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, is pleased to announce a "Meet the Authors" event on Thursday, March 2, 2023, at the Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St., from 6 to 8 p.m. in the lecture hall.



The authors of three new historical publications about Dover will be on hand to discuss their research and their writing process. Audience questions about Dover's history are welcome, and signed copies of each book will be available for purchase. The books are:

- ***Dover Heritage Walks: A Compendium of Past Walks and Reveals***, by Andy Galt, Cathy Beaudoin, and Tom Massingham. Derived from 29 past Heritage Walk brochures, over 250 homes, buildings and historic sites are described and photographed.
- ***Quaking Dover: How a counterculture took root and flourished in colonial New Hampshire***, by Jnana Hodson. The early history of the Quakers in Dover, including their persecution for challenging Puritanism.
- ***Dover NH Stories from the Past***, by Tony McManus. A collection of Tony's "Historically Speaking" newspaper columns that appeared in Foster's Daily Democrat.

Join the discussion about Dover's four centuries of intriguing history. This event is free to attend, and no pre-registration is required.

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## Joe B. Parks public gardens seeks volunteers

The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens depends on volunteers to help maintain and tend to the gardens enjoyed by the public each year. More volunteers are needed to help tend to the gardens in 2023. Tasks include spring and fall clean-up of garden beds and monthly visits to tidy up the gardens. Volunteers can adopt specific areas.

To become a volunteer, email [contact@joeparksgarden.org](mailto:contact@joeparksgarden.org), visit <http://joeparksgarden.org/>, or give Elizabeth Fischer a call at 603-817-1843.

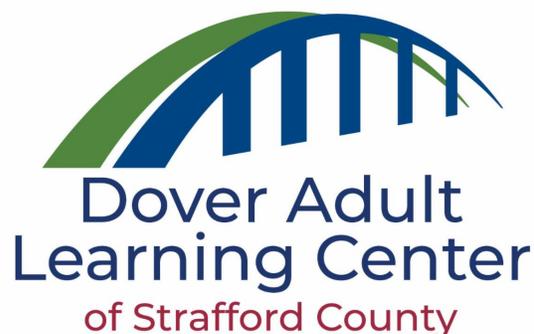
The Joe B. Parks Riverwalk Public Gardens is located between 400 Central Ave. and Chestnut

Street, along the banks of the Cochecho River, and forms a series of beautiful gardens filled with wild flowers, unique rhododendrons, mountain laurel, hostas, daylilies and countless other plants. Formerly a neglected area along the river, the Riverwalk Garden was planned by Dover horticulturalist Joe B. Parks, built by more than 100 volunteers, and dedicated in June 2008.

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## Coming up at DALC

Needlefelt an acorn using a natural top. This project can be simple or made fancy for use as an ornament, or make several and string together to form a whimsical garland. Supplies included with tuition. This class meets once on Feb. 24 for two and a half hours. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/5eph4snz>.



Would you like to learn to crochet or to play the ukulele? We have beginner classes in both starting on Feb. 28. Each class runs for six weeks and meets on Tuesday evenings. Join the crochet class at <https://tinyurl.com/ytex7623> and the ukulele class at <https://tinyurl.com/bdt8ywya>.

Learn to tell a wicked good story from master storyteller and New Hampshire treasure Rebecca Rule. Her six-week workshop runs from 3-4:30 p.m. on Fridays. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/2p8395zv>.

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## Dover Arts Commission accepting applications for Literary Laureate

The application period for the next Dover Literary Laureate position is now open.

The Dover Literary Laureate Program is dedicated to building community through the written word by appointing and supporting an outstanding local poet or author as Literary Laureate for the City. The Literary Laureate is an ambassador for all writers in Dover and works to heighten the visibility and value of the craft in the community.

The Literary Laureate is appointed by the Arts Commission and approved by the City Council with the advice and counsel of a jury comprised of professionals from the New Hampshire literary community and from nominations made by the public. Nominees must demonstrate a dedication to the art of writing.

The Dover Literary Laureate is tasked with broadening community involvement in all forms of literary expression by developing and executing projects funded by the Dover Arts Commission with activities intended to enrich the quality of life for Dover citizens.

Eligible projects may include, but are not limited to, performances, workshops, exhibits, poetry readings, adult and youth after-school writing programs and other creative endeavors that engage the literary arts for the benefit of the community.

The application period is open through 5 p.m. on March 15, 2023. The appointment period will be from July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2025.

The Dover City Literary Laureate must be a resident or work in the City of Dover.

The application form with complete details is available by [clicking here](#).

Candidates are urged to email the completed application and any required supplemental materials to: Natasha Kypfer, City Hall Planning Office, 288 Central Ave., Dover, New Hampshire, 03820-4169, or submit via email to [n.kypfer@dover.nh.gov](mailto:n.kypfer@dover.nh.gov).

## City of Dover employment opportunities

Want to work for the City of Dover? The City's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and a downloadable application for employment.

The City of Dover is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Prevention Programmer**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer - Part Time**
- **Parking Enforcement Officer - Full Time**
- **Waterfront Construction Manager**
- **Public Works Supervisor - Streets, Drainage Snow**
- **Heavy Equipment Operator - Streets/Stormwater**
- **Truck Driver Utilities**
- **Utility Laborer**
- **Firefighter/EMT**
- **Community Housing Navigator**
- **Public Safety Systems IT Administrator**
- **Utility Systems IT Administrator**
- **Heavy Equipment Mechanic/Automotive Technician**
- **City Planner**

For more information about these positions or employment opportunities with the City of Dover, [click here](#).

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## Dover School District employment opportunities

Want to work for the Dover School District? The District's website offers an updated list of open positions, including job descriptions and online applications. The District is now seeking applications for the following positions:

- **Long Term Elementary Teacher Substitute**
- **Auditorium House Manager and Technician**
- **K-4 Principal**
- **Special Education Paraprofessionals**
- **Behavior Specialist**
- **Special Education Paraprofessional - Autism Support – Dover Middle School**
- **DALC - Adult Education Program Manager**
- **DALC Adult High School Biology Teacher**
- **Girls JV Softball Coach**
- **DALC Counselor Aide**
- **Special Education Paraprofessional**
- **Long Term Substitute Special Education Teacher**
- **Custodian for C&W Services**
- **DALC Teacher-Spanish Literacy and HiSET Prep in correction facility**

For more information about these positions, [click here](#).

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