

**Library Hours:**

	Middlebury	East Middlebury
Monday	9-7	
Tuesday	9-7	9-12
Wednesday	9-7	
Thursday	9-7	2-6
Friday	9-5	
Saturday	9-4	9-12
Sunday	Closed	

# Inklings

- news and events -  
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**First Wednesday  
Talk: When the Bicycle  
Came to Vermont  
February 5, 7 p.m.**



UVM professor Luis Vivanco explores the fascinating early history of the bicycle in VT, an invention that generated widespread curiosity when it arrived in the 1880's – helping spark important changes in industrial production, consumerism, road policies, gender relations, and cultural ideas.

**Snow Bowl & Rikert Nordic Center Passes**

Thanks to a generous donation from Middlebury College, we can now offer our patrons ski passes. Each pass may be borrowed once per month and one weekend per season per household. To borrow the pass, patrons must have a valid library card. Passes do not include equipment rental fees. Call to reserve a date.

**Tool Rental Pass**

At Ilsley, we have long dreamed of offering a “library of tools,” a collection of tools that community members could borrow, but we didn't have the space or resources to make this possible. By partnering with Taylor Rental of Middlebury, we have finally taken a step in this direction. The Ilsley Library-Taylor Rental Tool Pass entitles cardholders to rent tools at Taylor Rental at a 25% discount for up to 1 day. Call the library to reserve the pass.

**Local Author: Dorothea Langevin,  
Saturday February 1, 2:00-3:00 pm**

Ever thought of publishing a book idea? Join Middlebury resident, Dorothea Langevin, as she shares tidbits about her journey into the world of writing and publication.

**Middlebury Community Classic Film Club Screening  
*The Suffragette***

**Tuesday February 11, 6 – 8:30 p.m.**

MCCFC kicks off our third year with a series that is both timely and of critical importance, namely this year's political season. We have entitled our new series: Elections: Fateful Decisions in a Time of Turbulence. Given our theme, it seems right that the first film ought to focus on the right to vote itself. *Suffragette*, directed by Sarah Gavron and starring Carey Mulligan, Helena Bonham Carter, and Meryl Streep, tells the story of women's fight for suffrage in pre-WWI Britain. The courage that these women showed when confronting the violence of the authorities is truly amazing and inspiring.

**Open Cribbage**

**Fridays, 12 – 3 p.m.**

Beginners as well as experienced players are welcome to play cribbage on Friday afternoons in the library. Experienced player Will Smith will be available to teach beginners.

**Used Book Sale**

Saturday, February 1, 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Junk in the Trunk**

**Saturday, February 8 at 10 – 2 pm**

Join appraisers Brian Bittner, Lori Scotnicki and Greg Hamilton at IPL to find out if your trash is really a treasure. Appraisers will give a verbal estimate of the value of your item: toys, furniture, art, glass, jewelry, china, books, military items, ephemera and more. Limit of 4 items per person.

**Cabin Fever Lecture Series****Plants for Birds**

**Thursday, February 13, 7 – 8:30 p.m.**

Native plants provide food and shelter for birds and wildlife. To survive, birds need native plants and the insects that have co-evolved with them. Bird-friendly landscaping provides food, saves water, and fights climate change. Join Gwendolyn Causer, Audubon Vermont, teacher/naturalist and Communications Director, for a presentation about why native plants matter: What are the threats? What are the solutions?

**Loosely Bound**

**Tuesday, February 18 at 5:30 p.m.**

This month's title is Madhuri Vijay's *The Far Field*. Gorgeously tactile and sweeping in historical and socio-political scope, Pushcart Prize-winner Madhuri Vijay's book follows a complicated flaneuse across the Indian subcontinent as she reckons with her past, her desires, and the tumultuous present.

**Author Talk: Niki Glanz**

**Wednesday, February 19 at noon**

Memories can be good or bad, but all matter. So researcher Niki Glanz discovered by interviewing 59 people on 5 tours of North America. Sad – even tragic – episodes combine with happy childhood memories to generate meaningful life stories, enabling us to value people vastly different from ourselves. Stories also suggest insights re our own paths to significance. Given such impact, we'll unwrap the mystery surrounding storytelling to understand why life stories rock!

**Adults Read YA Too!**

**Thursday, February 20 at 6:00 p.m.**

This month's title is Samira Ahmed's *Internment*. Set in a horrifying near-future United States, seventeen-year-old Layla Amin and her parents are forced into an internment camp for Muslim American citizens.

**Book Folding**

**Friday, February 21, 3 – 4: 15 pm**

Join Renee in the community room for a book folding community craft. We will supply the book and instructions.

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