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## For Immediate Release

### Special Community Events at the Ellsworth Public Library in June 2024 Including a Nature Documentary, an Innkeeper's Memoir, and a Cryptids Adventure

Ellsworth – As the Ellsworth's Public Library is getting ready for the summer season, this June, its team is hosting three special community events. Starting June 12 at 6 PM, the library invites patrons, residents, and visitors to a free nature documentary screening. On June 27 at 6 PM there will be an author's talk with Teri Anderholm, who describes the ups and downs of leaving her corporate life to follow her dream of opening an Inn in Bar Harbor. And on Saturday, June 29 at 10 AM the library kicks off their kids' summer reading program with a party on the lawn.

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You can find a selection of event visuals [here](#).

#### June 12 at 6 PM: Movie Night at the Library - Wildheart (2023)

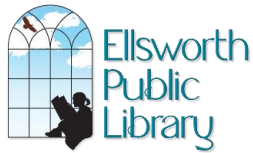
The Ellsworth Public Library is hosting a movie night on June 12 at 6 PM featuring the PBS Nature documentary "Wildheart" (directed by Nigel Pope, 2023, 53 mins) about the Scottish Highlands. The documentary uses historical figures as a calendar to chart the natural fortunes of Caledonia and includes dramatic recreation. Light refreshments will be provided. Please register at [info@ellsworthlibrary.net](mailto:info@ellsworthlibrary.net) or call 207.667.6363.

About the documentary (PBS): Few beings have lived to see a 500-year sweep of history – and at a time of such unprecedented change. This is the remarkable biography of a noble Scots Pine tree, ancient, gnarled, and weather worn. It stands in the Scottish Highlands, exactly where it landed as a tiny seed some five centuries ago – and where it greeted a young Mary, Queen of Scots, who was then just a child herself. It becomes the heart of a magnificent highland wilderness, home to eagles and wolves, strutting capercaillies and feisty red squirrels.

This is an after-hours program; library services will be unavailable.

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**June 27 at 6 PM: Author Talk and Book Signing with Teri Anderholm –  
Inn Mates: An Innkeeper's Memoir**

Ellsworth - Author Teri Anderholm will present her debut book *Inn Mates: An Innkeeper's Memoir* on June 27 at 6 PM at the Ellsworth Public Library. The library will host a Q&A and talk. Copies of Anderholm's book will be available for purchase (cash or credit card).

*Inn Mates* is a lively chronicle about Teri and her husband Jeff who ditched their corporate careers in Boston and bought a distressed, down-at-the-heels inn in Bar Harbor. Creative chaos ensued before it was transformed into one of the top luxury inns in New England. The inn was a passion, sometimes a prison, while offering 5-star hospitality to a parade of guests who taught them lessons of gratitude, humility, love, and laughter in the midst of life's hurricanes.

"Hugely entertaining! Brightly written and full of eye-popping tales of human frailty and hubris, this memoir reads like a suspense novel. I couldn't put it down." —Monica Wood, author of *The One-in-a-Million Boy*, *When We Were the Kennedys*, and *Any Bitter Thing*

Author website: <https://terianderholm.com/>

**June 29 at 10 AM: Kids' Summer Reading Kick-Off Party: Camping with Cryptids Adventure**

Ellsworth – The Ellsworth Public Library will launch its popular Summer Reading Program for ages 0 – 18 with a kick-off party on the library lawn on Saturday, June 29 at 10 AM. At the event kids and teens will be able to sign up for this year's summer reading program. The 2024 theme is "Camping with Cryptids" and is all about mythical creatures and literary exploration. On the day, participants can obtain their "Big Foot Hunting License" for completing several fun and age-appropriate tasks.

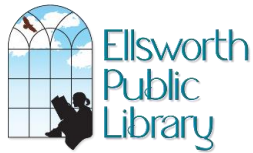
"We're thrilled to invite children and teens to join us on this exciting adventure," said Keli Gancos Head of Youth Services at the library. "Summer Reading isn't just about books - it's about sparking imagination, fostering a love for lifelong learning, and creating a community of readers."

As per tradition, participants will be divided into three different groups: ages 0 – 4, 5 – 12, and 13 – 18, and each comes with age-appropriate reading incentives. Over the summer kids and teens can track their reading progress in individual logs. The interactive approach aims to encourage a love for reading while rewarding participants with exciting incentives along the way. This is a rain or shine event.

The Kids' Summer Reading program is part of the "Summer at the Library" program that runs throughout July and August and also offers reading incentives for adults. The full program will be

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### **About the Ellsworth Public Library**

Ellsworth's historic Tisdale House has been home to the **Ellsworth Public Library** since 1897. The library hosts a collection of more than 46,000 in-house items, including books, large print books, audiobooks, movies, music CDs, and its growing Library of Things. In 2023, the library ran 470 programs for all ages. Patrons have access to over 8 million items from 63 libraries statewide as well as subscriptions to 50 print publications and online access to streaming and download services as well as to the New York Times. An EPL library card also gives its holder access to free passes to many renowned Down East museums: [www.ellsworthlibrary.net](http://www.ellsworthlibrary.net)

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