



St. Johnsbury
ATHENÆUM

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May 2023 Newsletter

First Wednesdays: War Reenactors: Who Gets to Tell History? Wednesday, May 3, 7 pm



Artist Ed Gendron shares and discusses images from his photo project about World War II reenactors in the United States. Gendron later produced **Playing Soldier**, a feature-length documentary on the same topic. “There-reenactors assert that ‘history is a personal thing,’ says Gendron. “And for them, it may be quite true.”

About Ed Gendron

Ed Gendron is an independent artist, photographer, and filmmaker who currently resides in New

Haven, CT. He received his MFA in Film and Photography from Radford University. Initially a painter and printmaker, Ed embarked on documentary film and photography as a way to connect with people and tell their stories. He's documented WWII reenactors in the American South, Northeast, and Midwest culminating in a series of photographs and a feature length documentary film called **Playing Soldier**.

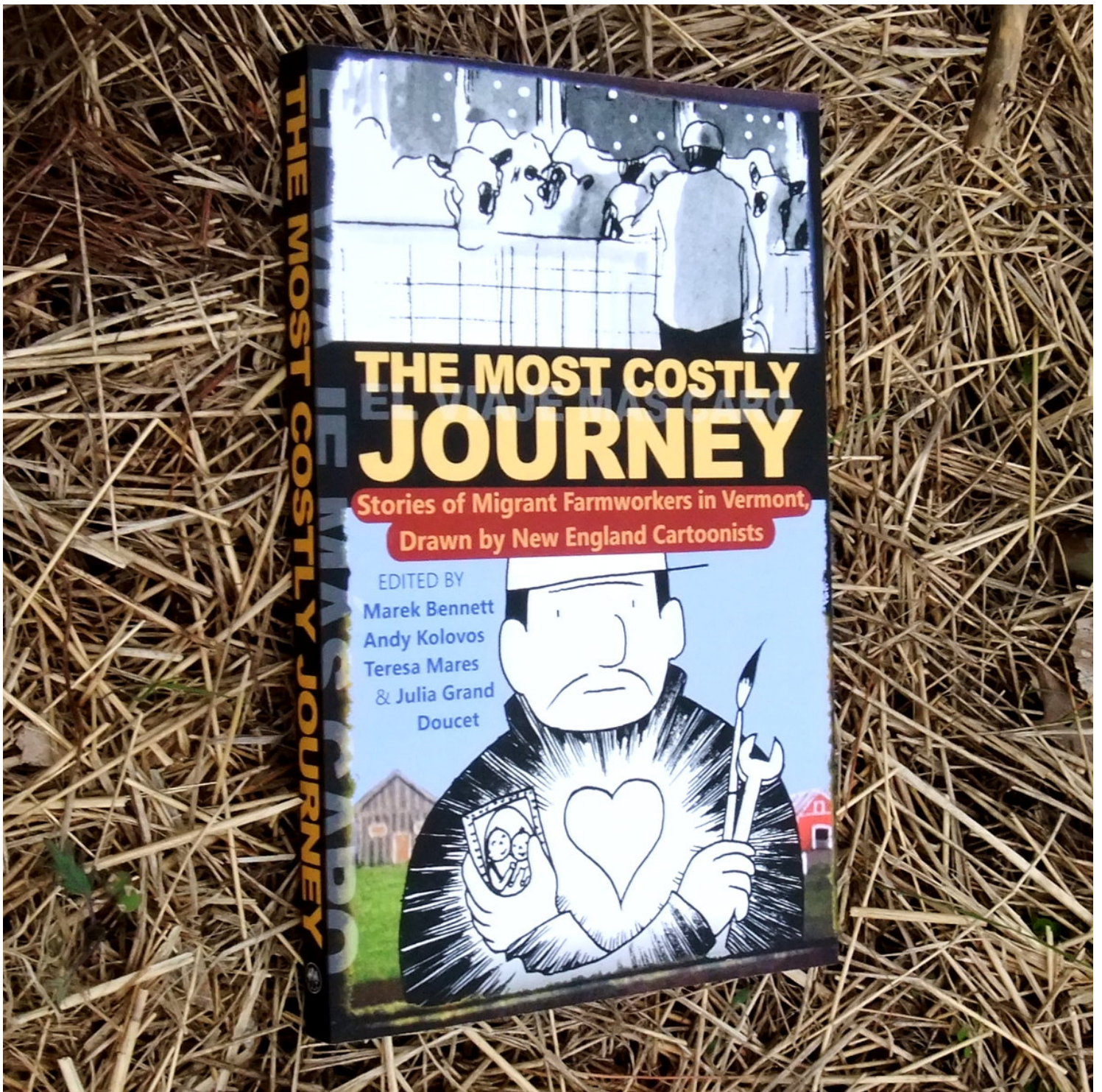
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The Most Costly Journey:
Community Book Discussion
Sunday, May 21, 11:30 am
at The Hub



Come join in an interesting and informative community book discussion of *The Most Costly Journey*, Vermont Reads book at The Hub.

The Most Costly Journey tells the stories of 19 migrant farm workers in their own words, illustrated by New England cartoonists in a variety of styles. Each short chapter describes aspects of life as an immigrant farm worker in Vermont.

Books are available now at The Hub or for checkout from the St. Johnsbury Athenaeum to read before the book discussion.

Questions? Contact Adele West-Fisher at 802-748-8291 or awestfisher@stjathenaeum.org

The Hub 438 Railroad St., Suite 2 St. Johnsbury

This Vermont Reads event is sponsored by Vermont Humanities, St. Johnsbury Athenaeum, Cobleigh Public Library, Migrant Justice, and Catamount Arts.

Inquisitive Readers Book Club
Thursday, May 25, 6 pm

INQUISITIVE READERS 
BOOK CLUB

The Inquisitive Readers Book Club moves from the 3rd Thursday of the month to the 4th Thursday of the month.

Looking for an in-person Book Club? Inquisitive Readers Book Club will be meeting the 4th Thursday of each month.

Contact the Book Club facilitator Maurine Hennings at Henningsmh@yahoo.com to indicate your interest.

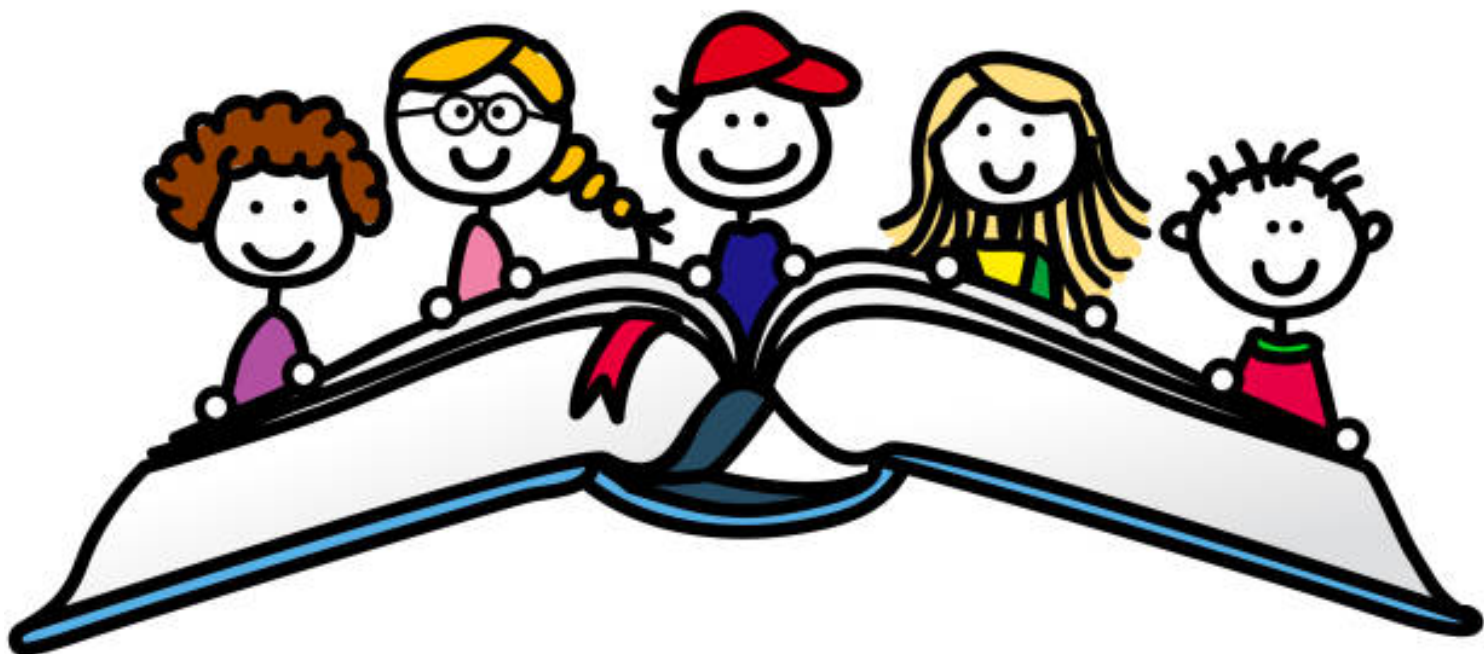
May - August Book Selections

- May 25: **Giver of Stars** by Jojo Moyes & **Saving Fish From Drowning** by Amy Tan
- June 22: **Zorro** by Isabelle Allende
- July 27: **Clara and Mr. Tiffany** by Susan Vreeland
- August 24: **The Anatomist's Wife** by Anna Lee

Youth Events

Homeschool Book Club

May 2, 1:30 pm



Weekly discussions about your favorite reads. Come prepared to share your favorite book for the week.

For ages 6-10. Siblings welcome.

**Sing-a-long with "Music Man" Ed Morgan
Friday, May 5, 10 am**



Join us in the Children's Library the first Friday of the month to listen & sing-a-long with the Music Man.

Ed Morgan is better known simply as "The Music Man." For over 10 years he has delighted kids and grownups alike with his interactive blend of original & traditional children's songs. Singing and dancing for kids ages 1-99!

Contact Becky Hatfield, Youth Services Librarian by email: bhatfield@stjathenaeum.org or by phone: 802-745-1391.

Get Crafty

Tuesday, May 9, 3 pm



Stop by the Children's Library to create fun crafts.
For kids ages 5-up, siblings welcome.

Lapsit Storytime

Thursday, May 18 & 25, 10 am



LAP SIT
STORYTIME

Join us in the Children's Library for a 20 minute lap program of stories, songs and fingerplays. For ages birth to 18 months with caregiver. Siblings welcome.

Acorn Club Storytime
Mondays @ 2 pm & Fridays @ 10 am*

Join us at the Athenæum for 30 minutes of stories, songs and play. Each child will receive a coloring sheet.

For ages up to 5 years old with caregiver. Older siblings welcome.

Contact Becky Hatfield, Youth Services Librarian by email: bhatfield@stjathenaeum.org or by phone: 802-745-1391.

There is no Storytime on May 19 or 29.

*The first Friday of the month is *Sing-along with "Music Man" Ed Morgan*.

Dance Party Mondays **Monday, May 8 & 22, 10 am**



Get energized and celebrate with this 30-minute unstructured dance party in the Children's Library. We'll have music, props and lots of fun.

For ages birth to 5 with caregiver. Siblings welcome.

Contact Becky Hatfield, Youth Service Librarian by email: bhatfield@stjathenaeum.org or by phone: 802-745-1391.

Tween Book Club **Wednesday, May 31, 4 pm**



Let's Talk about Books!

Join us the last Wednesday of each month to share our favorite reads. Tasty snacks and a lively book discussion will be provided.

For ages 10-14.

For more information, contact Becky Hatfield, Youth Services Librarian by email: bhatfield@stjathenaem.org or by phone: 802-745-1391.

Brick Math Education Kits



Brick Math Teaching Math Using LEGO® Bricks

Looking for a fun, hands-on way to teach math to your kids? The Children's Library has a collection of educational books and brick sets for loan to families, teachers and tutors.

Topics include: Counting/Cardinality, Addition, Subtraction, Fractions, Measurements, Multiplication & Division.

Brick Sets can only be borrowed with a Brick Math Educational Book Set.

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