



This free Thursday evening lecture series is a partnership between Framingham State University and Framingham Public Library. For more information, visit framinghamlibrary.org.

**SEPT
21
7pm**

Back to the Future: Food Conservation Posters in the United States 1917–1918

Janet Schwartz, MS, RD, Professor Emerita and former Chair of the Department of Food and Nutrition, FSU

Posters and local libraries were used to change food habits of Americans during WWI. Professor Schwartz presents those posters and draws comparisons between the food and nutrition messages in 1917 and today.

**OCT
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7pm**

Blanche Ames and Oakes Ames: Cultivating that Mutual Ground

Dr. Liz Fideler, EdD, Sloan Research Network on Aging & Work, Boston College, Founding Member

Blanche and Oakes Ames advanced women's suffrage, reproductive rights, artistic expression, and scientific knowledge, among other accomplishments. Come hear their story of mutual enabling.

**OCT
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7pm**

Cotton Mather: A Man of Two Worlds

Dr. P. Bradley Nutting, Emeritus Professor of History, FSU

Cotton Mather, Puritan preacher known for his role in the Salem Witch Trials, was also a fierce proponent of inoculation to prevent smallpox. Learn more about this man of two worlds and two minds.

**OCT
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7pm**

How Media Has Reshaped the US's Political Landscape

Dr. Jon Huibregtse, Professor of History, FSU

Professor Huibregtse analyzes how the rise of the 24-hour news cycle and social media have reconfigured the nation's political landscape.

**NOV
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7pm**

The World's Greatest Diarists

Dr. Helen Heineman, President Emerita, FSU

This lecture examines diaries of various sorts, providing a look into the everyday lives of men and women over the centuries.

**NOV
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7pm**

Textiles as Storytellers: From the Bayeux Tapestry to Bisa Butler

Pam Sebor-Cable, Associate Professor, Fashion Design and Retailing Department, FSU

Professor Sebor-Cable explores how we learn about historic events, social conditions, and the politics of a time through the creative stitchery of textile artists.

**NOV
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7pm**

Collective Journeys: Framingham's Global Migration Story, Past and Present

Anna Tucker, Executive Director, Framingham History Center

Framingham has a long history of welcoming immigrants and refugees with open arms. Join the Framingham History Center to learn how Framingham earned the reputation of being welcoming and get a behind-the-scenes look at the FHC's upcoming exhibition, "Collective Journeys: Framingham's Global Migration Story, 1960–Present."

**NOV
30
7pm**

The "New" American Presidency: the Unitary Executive

Dr. David Smalles, Associate Professor of Political Science, FSU

This lecture looks at a recent change to concentrate more power in the hands of the Chief Executive. We discuss the nature of this change, how it compares to earlier understandings of presidential power, and how some candidates running in 2024 plan to expand that power even further.

Attend these lectures in-person at the Main Library or watch live on YouTube at bit.ly/FPL-YT.

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