



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

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7pm

Exploring Humane Standards in Animal Agriculture through Documentary Film

Dr. Audrey Kali, Professor of Communication, Media and Performance, FSU

Hear about the making of Dr. Kali's documentary, *Farm and Red Moon*, which follows her visits to farms and slaughterhouses and to meetings with experts that reveal the ambiguous moral underbelly of humane animal slaughter.

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A Divided Nation? What Abraham Lincoln Can Teach Us about Our Own Political Divisions

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

This talk examines how one American political thinker, Abraham Lincoln, wrestled with the political divisions of his time and what we can learn from his experience about resolving the divisions in our time.

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Can the Food Industry Be Part of the Solution to Challenges in Food Systems?

Dr. Vinay Mannam, Associate Professor of Food Science, Department of Chemistry and Food Science, FSU

Our food systems has many immediate challenges, and the food industry is often a key part of these systems. This lecture looks at the food industry and its role in addressing these challenges.

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Deaf Awareness and Culture: Bridging Connections Between the Hearing and Deaf Communities

Katie McCarthy, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program, Boston Children's Hospital and adjunct faculty, FSU and Simmons University

Join us to learn about the unique aspects of Deaf culture, to gain a broader understanding of the different cultural and linguistic abilities within the Deaf community, and how to communicate with Deaf people.

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7pm

Reimagine Learning for Tech-Involved Children

Dr. Chu N. Ly, Assistant Professor of Education and Child and Family Studies, FSU

The talk focuses on the ways children use technology and how that can meaningfully impact their learning in and out of school. Hear of ways caregivers and educators can leverage what children bring into the classroom for a more just and equitable learning environment.

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7pm

Dickens and Van Gogh: A Study in Influence

Dr. Helen Heineman, President Emerita, FSU

Join us for an illustrated lecture that shows the many ways in which the artist Van Gogh found inspiration in the works of Charles Dickens.

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7pm

Let's Get Future-Fit: Envisioning Metrowest Beyond the Climate Emergency

Dr. Sabine Von Mering, Director of the Center for German and European Studies, Brandeis University

This talk addresses the question, "What could Framingham and the Metrowest area look like if we take the climate emergency as seriously as science tells us we must?" How do we transform our neighborhoods, economy, and food and transportation systems in a way that is just and equitable?

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

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