

# **NEWS and NOTES from the HASTON LIBRARY**

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## FEBRUARY PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- We had more fun story times and other events in February! Grammie Jen came by again, and she brought her giant parachute to illustrate the idea of hibernation. The kids really enjoyed running around and screaming at the top of their lungs under it! They might've pretended that they were sleeping, but it was a little too exciting to actually do any hibernating. Miss Sierra also did a sweet Valentine's Day story time, with lots of hands and hearts! And for those of you who are keeping track, we averaged 9.75 children per story time in February.



- We also had a fun visit with Mikhala Kaseweter, Program Coordinator for the Northwest Vermont Solid Waste Management District, who stopped by on February 20th to give us some pointers on how to mend and repair old clothing. We sewed and patched our way to upcycled bliss with help from Mikhala! We hope to have her come back sometime soon, to show us how to make homemade paper from recycled materials.

- On February 22nd, Miss Sierra led another fun craft workshop--she taught everyone how to make bracelets! We had a great turnout, and all the attendees enjoyed learning how to string beads and make attractive and fun baubles.



- And we were pleased to host the first couple of meetings of the Haston Library Knitting Group in February! The group is open to all skill levels and ages, and it meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month from 1:00 to 2:30 at the library.

## **ENDANGERED ALPHABETS WITH TIM BROOKES**

What does the age of digital convergence, Facebook, and globalization mean for the future of the written word? Writer/carver/painter Tim Brookes offers a remarkable and thought-provoking perspective on this question by looking at a range of forms of writing from all over the world that are in danger of extinction. He displays a carving of a piece of text in each script, leading a discussion on how technology will help—and always has helped—define the nature of communication, and shows how the story of a

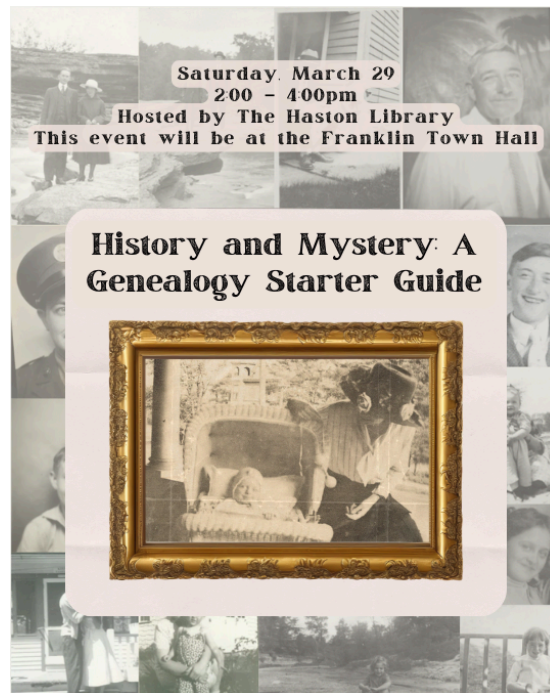
culture can be seen in its writing, even if that writing is (as in these examples) beautiful, utterly unfamiliar, and disappearing. Join us at the Town Hall on Saturday, March 15th at 11 AM for what's sure to be a fascinating presentation. This program is a joint presentation of Vermont Humanities and the Haston Library.

## **BOOKMARK WORKSHOP**



We're super excited to be hosting another Bookmark Workshop with the multi-talented Miss Sierra! It'll be held on Saturday, March 22nd from 11 AM til 1 PM. All ages are welcome to join us to learn how to use Canva to make beautiful bookmarks.

## **HISTORY AND MYSTERY: A GENEALOGY STARTER GUIDE**



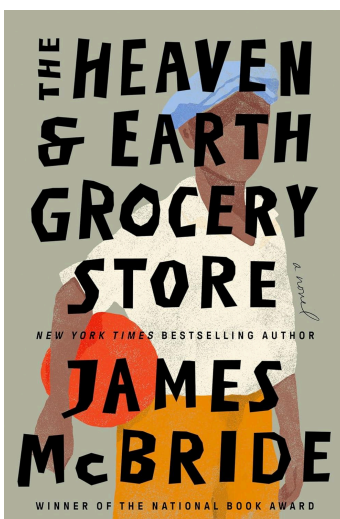
Are you interested in family history? Do you spend a lot of time in graveyards wondering about the names behind the stones? Then you just might be a genealogy enthusiast! Genealogy is the exploration of ancestral lines and can be done through countless records, resources and artifacts. Join us to explore useful methods for research planning through the case study of Elsie Gaskin (an eccentric librarian from New Hampshire) and become a better researcher along the way. Our presenter Erin E. Moulton writes books and tracks dead people. As a genealogical researcher, she has explored the lives of the departed for over 14 years. Erin is a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the New Hampshire Historical Society, and the New Hampshire Society of Genealogists. She holds a B.A. from Emerson College, an M.F.A. from the Vermont College of Fine Arts, and a Certificate in Genealogical Research from Boston University. She is an award-winning author of middle grade and young adult books. When she isn't tracking down just the right word or just the right clue, she can be spotted sleuthing New England's burying places. You can find her online at [www.erinemoulton.com](http://www.erinemoulton.com).

**STORY TIME WITH GRAMMIE JEN**



Bring your wee leprechauns to the library on Friday, March 14 at 10 AM for another fun story time with Grammie Jen! It'll be a St. Patrick's Day-themed story time, with music, books, crafts, and play.

## **BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP**



This month, the Haston Library's book group will be meeting at the library on Tuesday, March 18th at 2:30 PM to discuss The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store, by James McBride. Contact the library to reserve a copy of the book if you'd like to participate!

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