

Hub Plans to Show Filmed Version of the Musical *Hamilton*

Sunday, January 22; 2 to 5 PM; Donation

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The 2020 filmed version of the much-acclaimed Broadway production of the musical *Hamilton* will be shown on Sunday, January 22, from 2 - 5 PM at The Andover Community Hub.

Written by the American composer and actor Lin-Manuel Miranda (who also plays the title role), *Hamilton* received near-universal acclaim after its Off-Broadway opening in 2015, winning 11 Tony Awards including Best Musical, and receiving the 2016 Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

Hamilton tells the story of American Founding Father Alexander Hamilton. The show draws heavily from hip-hop, R&B, pop, soul, and traditional show-tune music styles. It casts

non-white actors as various Founding Fathers of the United States and other historical figures, including Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, Aaron Burr, and George Washington. Miranda described *Hamilton* as “about America then, as told by America now.”

A brief introduction to the historic and political issues dealt with in this drama – set in America in the late 1700s/early 1800s – will be provided by Philip Goodnow, retired professor of history at Proctor Academy, and will help orient viewers to the upcoming action on screen. The show will be projected on a big screen. Popcorn and beverages will be served, and there will be a short intermission. A donation of \$10 is suggested. Seating is limited and those interested in attending are asked to register by contacting The Hub at TheAndoverHub@gmail.com or 603 735-5509.



One of the first to make use of the Andover Community Hub's new access ramp was Andover's Leland Schneider, caught in mid-November on his way to coordinate a meeting of the Andover Cardsharks, held on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 AM. Asked for his view on the new entrance, Schneider responded: “The ramp is a blessing to those who can't get around easily, and a real asset to the Hub.” Andover Cardsharks is open to all on a drop-in basis and offers a variety of different card games to attendees, as well as instructions to newcomers.

Caption and photo: Larry Chase

Hub Offers Popular CPR and First Aid Class Again

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The CPR and First Aid class offered in November at The Andover Community Hub filled quickly and had a waiting list, so it's being offered again on Sunday, February 5, with a registration deadline of January 26 in order to have time to order the course materials.

The class will again be taught by experienced athletic trainer and emergency medical responder Kelly Griffin-Brown, who is also Proctor Academy's head athletic trainer and anatomy and physiology teacher. She is also an adjunct instructor who provides medical emergency simulation for the National Football League sports-medicine teams.

This class is intended to help local residents respond effectively and efficiently to both life-threatening emergencies and the first-aid needs of others. It's appropriate for adults who have family members who are at high risk for medical emergencies, parents of small children, teachers or business staff who deal with the general public, and teenagers age 13 or older who may be interested in babysitting or otherwise involved with younger children.

The class will be divided into two 90-minute segments: the first, beginning at 1:30 PM, will focus on CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation, also known as closed-chest heart massage) and AED (automated external defibrillation). The second segment, beginning at 3:15 PM, will cover more general first-aid information, along with hands-on skill instruction for each type of emergency.

The cost is \$35 per participant, and covers the training as well as the take-

home course materials provided by the American Heart Association, and a Heartsaver Course Completion Card, also supplied by the Heart Association, which is valid for two years.

Because of the need for closely supervised training, the class will be limited to 15 people. Advance registration is required and can be made by contacting The Andover Hub at theandoverhub@gmail.com or 603 735-5509. Payment for the class is requested ahead of time and can be sent to The Hub at PO Box 157, Andover 03216, or dropped in the mail slot to the right of The Hub's front door at 157 Main St. If a participant is interested in only one segment, please indicate that at the time of registration; the fee is the same for one or both segments. Some financial assistance is available to those with limited resources who request it.

Participants are asked to wear comfortable clothing for working at floor level and must be physically able to perform CPR down on the floor in order to get certified.

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