



Director's Report
Westwood Public Library
January 5, 2015

LIBRARY MATERIALS AND COLLECTIONS

SPEED VIEW DVDS

A new browsing collection of new and popular DVDs has been initiated. Designated as "SPEED VIEWS", this dvd collection adds a second (or third) copy of popular titles that are available for Westwood patrons on an as-available basis – they cannot be renewed or reserved, and they do not circulate to other libraries.

MUSEUM PASSES

The Friends of the WWPL have identified sponsors for all of the passes currently offered by the WWPL. In January, we will be working with the Friends on identifying passes and sponsorship opportunities for several additional passes. If you have an interest in a particular pass that you would like me to look into, please let me know. A copy of the Library's museum pass brochure, listing our current passes, is attached.

Possibilities for additional Museum Passes that have been identified include:

- Boston Harbor Islands (2 for 1 ferry coupon for ferries to Spectacle and Georges Island)
- Mystic Aquarium (\$5 off admission – this one is actually already in process...)
- Institute of Contemporary Art
- Peabody Essex Museum
- Easton Children's Museum
- Providence Children's Museum
- Worcester Museum of Art

NEW CATALOG INTERFACE – ENCORE

The Library will be migrating to a new catalog interface, "Encore", beginning in early January. I expect that we will begin the rollout the week of January 5th.

The Encore Catalog is available already by clicking into "try new catalog" when in Classic Catalog Interface. The Encore option includes the E-Content (but not streaming video) and has a "google-like" interface with prompts such as "did you mean?" It also brings up relevant periodical magazine articles. We will be alerting patrons to the change - and the Friends will also be publicizing this on their website.