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## Great Falls Public Library March 2024 Events

### Art in the Library – Great Falls Public Schools

**When:** March 1 Through April 30

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

**What:** The Great Falls Public Schools Art Program will be displaying art in the Library March through April. The students/artists will have a reception on March 1 from 4 to 6 pm.



### Community Paramedic

**When:** Friday March 1 and 15, 2 to 3pm

**Where:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Game Room

**What:** Alluvion Health Community Paramedic will be in the Library providing free blood pressure checks and community referrals.

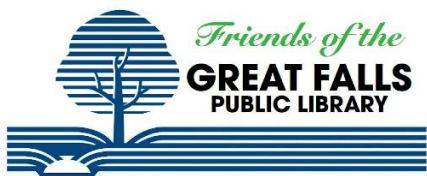
### Tax Help Montana

**When:** Every Wednesday from 2 to 6:30 pm & Saturday, March 16 from 10 am to 4 pm

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, Cordingley Room



**What:** Tax Help Montana (THM) is a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program made up of a coalition of community partners led by RDI, **offering free tax preparation and filing services to seniors and low-moderate income families and individuals.** Tax Help Montana volunteer tax preparers are trained and IRS-certified to help ensure each client is receiving this and other tax credits for which they qualify.



### Friends of the Library Donation Days

**Where:** Garage entrance behind Library

**When:** Every Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm.

**What:** The Friends of the Great Falls Public Library will collect items for the upcoming Book sale in May.



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### Memory Cafe

**When:** Tuesday, March 5, 12:30 to 2 pm

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**What:** Memory Cafés are a comfortable, social gathering that allow people experiencing memory loss and a loved one to connect, socialize, and build new support networks. Cafés are free to attend and welcome to all.

For more details, contact Katrin Finch at MSU Extension, Cascade County 406-454-6980



### Amy Pearson Author Talk 'Poems for Certain Women'

**When:** Thursday, March 14, 6:30 to 7:30 pm

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**What:** Amy Rae Pearson is a writer, teacher, and wilderness advocate. She grew up on a farm in northcentral MT and earned a Ph.D. in organizational communication from Arizona State University. After finishing her formal education, she hit the road to Asia for a few years, but found herself missing the mountains of Montana. Amy has worked for the Park Service, Forest Service, in the environmental non-profit sector, and now as a professor at Great Falls College.

Poems for Certain Women is Amy's second collection of poetry; it is dedicated to her Grandma Harriet who was also a poet.



### International Women's Day Celebration

**When:** March 19, 7 to 8 pm

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**What:** Join us as young women from our local High Schools come and talk about their experiences today, and their hopes for the future.



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### Montana Primary Care Association Health Insurance Navigator



**When:** Friday, March 8, 10 am to 2 pm.

**Where:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Game Room

**What:** If you are struggling with enrolling in the Health Insurance Marketplace or just want to learn more about health insurance options available to you, then come talk with a Healthcare Navigator.

### Winter Speaker Series: Chris La Tray “Importance of Storytelling”

**When:** March 21, 7 to 8 pm

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**What:** Montana's Poet Laureate Chris La Tray approaches the practice of poetry the same as he does the spiritual life of an Anishinaabe person: which is to say, if one lives an Anishinaabe life, with particular attention to the seven guiding principles of the Seven Grandfather teachings – Humility, Courage, Honesty, Wisdom, Truth, Respect, and Love – then every footstep becomes a prayer. La Tray's programs exist to remind people that their stories matter, that they are the only ones who can properly tell them.



### Great Falls Library Word Meister Contest

**When:** Thursday, March 28, 6 to 8 pm

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**What:** Whether a competitor or a spectator, you'll be sure to enjoy the conviviality, festivity, gaiety, hilarity, jollification, jollity, merrymaking, reveling, revelry, and just plain good times of the Word Meister Competition. Teams of 3 compete to see who knows the definition of the most obscured words in the English language. Hijinks ensue!

### MLN Virtual Program: Montana Local Government Voter Review w/Ashley Kent

**When:** Thursday, March 28, 6:30 pm

**Where:** Virtual ONLINE ONLY (online registration at [https://mt.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_fSuslt1DQFqkUq\\_Nt06HpQ#/registration](https://mt.gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fSuslt1DQFqkUq_Nt06HpQ#/registration))

**What:** The Montana Constitution is unique in that it requires the citizens of the state be given the opportunity to vote on the option to study their form and structure of local government once every ten years. This process is known as the Montana Local Government Voter Review and the seventh review cycle will be held 2024-2026. If you are wondering “What is this and how will it impact me?” this webinar is for you!

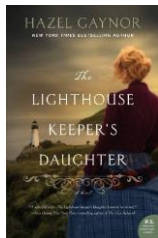


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### March Book Clubs

The only thing better than reading a good book is talking about good books.



#### Open Books with Penny - 1st Thursday

**When:** March 7, 7 pm

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Montana Room

**What:** Discussion of *Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter* by Hazel Gaynor

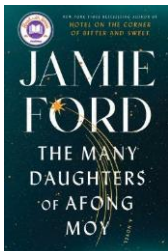


#### Book Sleuths with Kalena - 2nd Tuesday

**When:** March 12, 4:30 pm

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, basement Small Meeting Room

**What:** Discussion of *My Sister, the Serial Killer*, by Oyinkan Braithwaite

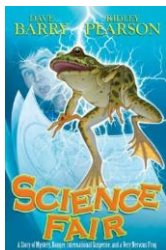


#### Page Forward Saturday with Debbie - 2nd Saturday

**When:** March 16, 10 am

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, basement Small Meeting Room

**What:** Book club discussion of *The Many Daughters of Afong Moy*, by Jamie Ford



#### Page Forward Tuesday with Susie - 4th Tuesday

**When:** March 26, 7 pm

**Where:** Great Falls Public Library, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Montana Room

**What:** Discussion of *Science Fair*, by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson



#### Silent Book Club at Luna Coffee, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday

**When:** March 16, 10 am to noon

**Where:** Luna Coffee Bar, 9 5th St S.

**What:** Chat with others about a book you've brought, read your book, relax or write/continue to read.



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### YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

#### Dr. Seuss's Birthday Party at the Brain Building Expo

**When:** Saturday, March 2, 10 am to noon

**Where:** Paris Gibson Education Center-2400 Central Ave in Great Falls

**Audience:** Kids 5 and under and their families

**What:** The Brain Building Expo is an annual Great Falls tradition hosted by Family Connections. Dozens of organizations that serve kids 5 and under and their families will gather to share hands-on activities, free giveaways, and lots of information Great Falls families can really use! To make the day extra sweet, kids and families will be invited to celebrate Dr. Seuss's 120<sup>th</sup> birthday with cupcakes and stories galore!



#### Story Time



**When:** Wednesday and Thursday mornings, 10:30-11:30  
March 6, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27 and 28

**Where:** Cordingley Room

**Audience:** Preschoolers 2 ½ to 5 years old, their families, and caregivers

**What:** Preschoolers and their families are invited to join us face-to-face at the Great Falls Public Library to build early literacy skills with songs, movement, and a great story.

March's Theme is **Dr. Seuss!**





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### Toddler Time

**When:** Friday mornings, 10:30-11:30 am, March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29

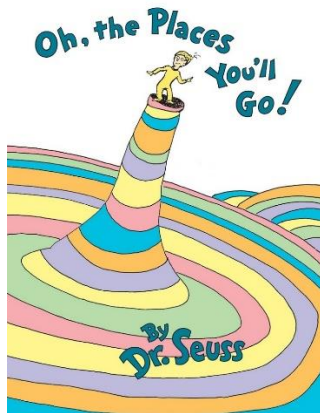
**Where:** Cordingley Room

**Audience:** Babies and toddlers birth to 2 ½ year and their families and caregivers

**What:** Babies, toddlers, and their families are invited to join us face-to-face at the Great Falls Public Library to build early literacy skills with songs, movement, lap bounces, and a great story. March's Theme is **Spring!**



### Oh, the Places You'll Go! Dr. Seuss Story Walk



**When:** Wednesday, March 6 to Saturday, April 6

**Where:** Gibson Park

**Audience:** Families with kids of all ages

**What:** Celebrate Dr. Seuss's Birthday with walk in the park while reading Great Falls' favorite Seussical story, 'Oh, the Places You'll Go!' This classic story will be accompanied by art from local kids.