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Great Falls Public Library August 2023 Events

MEMORY CAFE

When: Tuesday August 1, 12:30 – 2:00 pm

Where: Great Falls Public Library, Cordingley Room (basement)

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

Memory Cafe @
Great Falls Public Library

ART IN THE LIBRARY – ART ASSOCIATION OF MONTANA

When: July and August

Where: Great Falls Public Library, 1st and 2nd Floor

What: The Art Association of MT will display their artwork in the Library this summer. The Arts Association of Montana is a statewide creative group encompassing all artistic endeavors and based in Great Falls MT. AAM strives to foster sharing, enrichment, enjoyment, appreciation and learning in the arts. Come down and see their work!

PRACTICE PREPARING QUICK & HEALTHY MEALS: NUTRITION MADE SIMPLE

When: Aug. 1, 8, 22, & 29; September 5 & 12 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Where: Great Falls Public Library, Small Meeting Room (basement)

What: Join SNAP Education Instructor Nina for this interaction and engaging class.

Buy, Eat and Live Better by exploring:

- Tasty ways to eat healthy
- Ideas for stretching your food dollar
- Easy meal planning according to MyPlate
- Tips for increasing physical activity

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SUMMER IN THE LIBRARY PARK: MUSIC

When: Tues. August 8 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park:

John Floridis & Jennifer Slayden

When: Tues. August 15 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park;

David Raba



When: Tues. August 22 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park;

Little Jane and the Pistol Whips

When: Tues. August 29 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park;

Pollo Loco



Bring a chair or a blanket and enjoy these FREE performances in the Library Park.
NEW THIS YEAR: Select food vendors will be onsite!!



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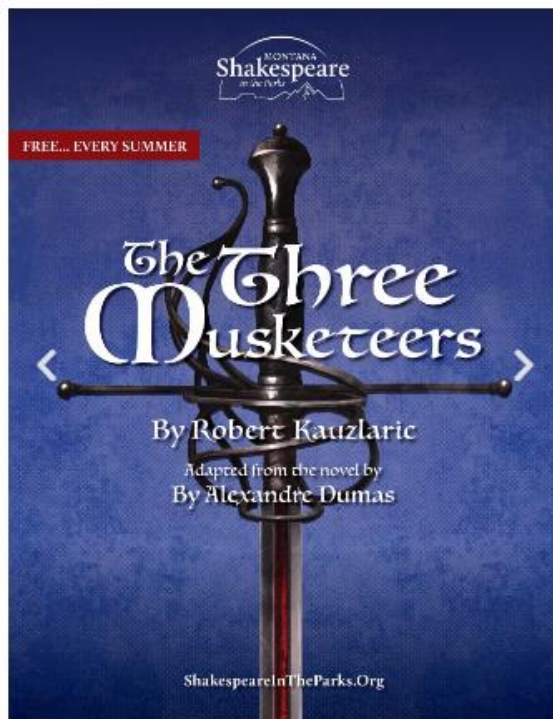
SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARKS: THE THREE MUSKETEERS

When: August 28 6:00 pm

Where: Gibson Park Bandshell

What: A swashbuckling tale filled with action and adventure, *The Three Musketeers* will enthrall all generations of audience members as they get swept away to 17th century France, following a young hero's journey as he embarks to fulfill his lifelong dream of becoming a Musketeer.

Adapted by Robert Kauzlaric and directed by Kevin Asselin, this play is sure to delight audiences of all ages. This is the company's first year producing *The Three Musketeers*.



COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC

When: Friday August 4 & 18 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Where: Great Falls Public Library, 2nd Floor Game Room

What: A Community Paramedic from Great Falls Emergency Services will be in the Library providing free blood pressure checks and community referrals.

HEALTHCARE NAVIGATOR

When: Friday August 11, 10:00 am -2:00 pm

Where: Great Falls Public Library, 2nd Floor Game Room

What: Healthcare Navigators are trained to help people who need assistance enrolling in health plans through the Health Insurance Marketplace or, if eligible, Medicaid. They can also help people who are already enrolled in the Marketplace but are having issues managing their care.

AUGUST BOOK CLUBS: GREAT FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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

Library Book clubs will be back in September.

Happy Summer Reading!!



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YOUTH SERVICES EVENTS

SUMMER READING INCENTIVES

When: Friday, June 2, through Saturday August 12th

Where: EVERYWHERE

Audience: Kids and teens of all ages and their families

What: Our **Summer Reading Incentive Program** rewards kids and teens birth to 18* with a prize for every 5 hours they read all summer long. Track your reading using our Beanstack app or a paper log.

Download Beanstack from Google Play or App Store, or visit our Beanstack site here: greatfallslibrary.beanstack.org



Join us for the summer reading celebration on August 12. (Details below)

SUMMER READING CELEBRATION AND TIE-DYE T-SHIRT MAKING

When: Saturday, August 12, 10-noon

Where: Gibson Park Bandshell

Audience: Kids, teens, and their families

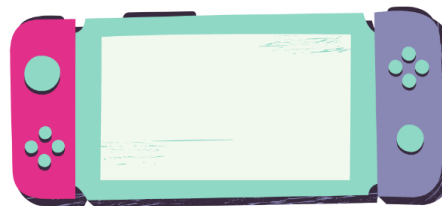
Please help kids under 8 make their tie-dye t-shirts.

What: Congratulations on all your reading this summer! All the fantastic kids and teens who earned at least one prize for their reading this summer are invited to make a free tie-dye t-shirt! Library staff will take the shirts home and wash them.

Pick up your tie-dye t-shirt in Kids' Place between Saturday, August 19 and Saturday, September 2. Shirts not picked up by 6pm on September 2 may be donated.



The winners of our big Summer Reading prizes (a Nintendo Switch OLED for teens, an LED Razor Scooter for elementary readers 5-12, and a tri-wheel scooter for little ones birth to 5) will be announced at 11am! Don't worry-you don't need to be present to win!





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STORYTIME

When: Wednesday mornings, 10:30-11:30 am August 2 and 9

Please note that the Youth Services Department's annual programming break will begin on Tuesday August, 15. Programming will resume on September 6. Beginning in September, Storytime will meet on both Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30!

Where: Great Falls Public Library, Cordingley Room (basement)

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.

August's theme is Back to School



TODDLER TIME

When: Friday mornings, 10:30-11:30 am August 4 and 11

Please note that the Youth Services Department's annual programming break will begin on Tuesday August, 15. Programming will resume on September 6.

Where: Great Falls Public Library, Cordingley Room (basement)

Audience: Babies and toddlers birth to 2 ½ year, 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.

August's theme is ABCs and 123s.



TEMPORARY TATTOO ART WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

When: Saturday, August 5, 12-1:30

Where: Teen Scene (2nd floor)

Audience: Teens 12-18 years

What: Aspiring tattoo artists 12 to 18 are invited to explore tattoo art at this workshop facilitated by Spencer, one of our VISTA Summer Associates. Teens will create their own temporary tattoos using skin-safe Bic BodyMark markers.* Stencils are available, or they can freehand their own original designs.



*BodyMark markers are nontoxic and designed for use on skin. Like any cosmetic product, they may cause irritation for some individuals. BodyMark tattoos are temporary, but they make take several washings with soap and water or makeup remover to disappear completely. Easy-to-remove glitter tattoos will also be available at this program.



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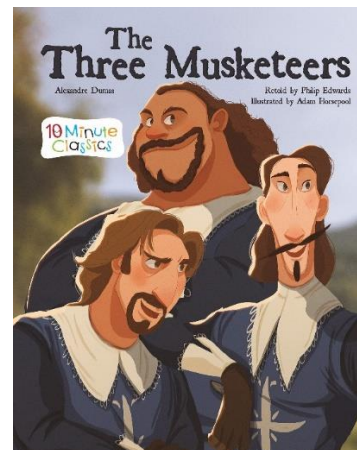
THREE MUSKETEERS STORY WALK

When: August 9 to September 8 from dawn to dusk

Where: Gibson Park

Audience: Community members of all ages

What: The Great Falls Public Library is delighted to present the Montana Shakespeare Company's production of *The Three Musketeers*, a play adapted from Alexandre Dumas' swashbuckling adventure. The play is free and open to the public on Monday, August 28 at 6pm at the Gibson Park bandshell. (Please see our website calendar for full details.) In honor of the Montana Shakespeare Company's play, we invite kids and their families to read a kid-friendly adaptation of *The Three Musketeers* illustrated by Adam Horsepool while enjoying a late summer stroll in Gibson Park.



The Gibson Park Story Walk starts and ends at the parking area near the bandshell. The stroller-friendly path begins at the statue of Paris Gibson, loops around the duck pond, and ends back at the parking area. It is less than a mile long.

BACK2SCHOOL BLAST!

When: Friday August 18, 11-4

Where: Mansfield Room-City of Great Falls Civic Center, located at 2 Park Drive South

Audience: School-age kids and teens and their families

What: The Great Falls Public Library is delighted to participate in Alliance for Youth and the United Way of Cascade County's Back2School Blast!

This phenomenal annual event offers free backpacks and school supplies, free haircuts and hygiene products, free wellness checks and vaccinations, low cost sports physicals, and much more! If you have a school-aged child or teen, don't miss it!

Visit our table to build your own Family Game Night To-Go Kit. Decorate your own tote bag and fill it with free games from Let's Play Toys & Games and tasty snacks (while supplies last)!



WWW.B2SBLAST.ORG

To sign up or get more information about this fantastic event, please visit:

https://www.uwccmt.org/back2school-blast?fbclid=IwAR3mo93mQRGYQ6WVvJ8wuXDSD9yLUdNko_TcNLRaEMceau3noL0g5lv2uJU



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TOUCH-A-TRUCK 2023

When: Saturday, August 26. 9:00 am – 2:00 pm

Where: Downtown Great Falls (100-600 Blocks of Central Avenue)

Audience: EVERYONE

What: Come checkout the Library Bookmobile at Touch-A-Truck 2023! Sponsored by the Junio League of Great Falls, this family-focused event brings the big trucks and machinery that every kid loves to their fingertips!



Children can climb on, touch, and admire vehicles and machinery up close. We'll also have refreshments available to purchase from your favorite food and coffee trucks, as well as other kid-friendly/family focused features.

YOUTH SERVICES ANNUAL PROGRAMMING BREAK

When: Tuesday, August 15 to Tuesday, September 5

Audience: Kids and teens of all ages and their families

What: Thank you for making Summer, 2023 the best yet! Every year following our Summer Reading Program, the Youth Services Department takes a break from programming to clean up and plan Fall events. Programs for kids and teens will pause beginning Tuesday, August 15 resume on Wednesday, September 6. Storytime and Toddler Time will not meet during this time.

Beginning in September, Storytime will meet on both Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30!



Congratulations to all of our young readers who earned prizes this summer!

We wish you the best of luck in the 2023-2024 school year!