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Great Falls Public Library July 2023 Events

MEMORY CAFE

When: Tuesday July 11 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



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!

SUMMER IN THE LIBRARY PARK: MUSIC

When: Tues. July 11 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park:

The Castle Reefers

When: Tues. July 18 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park;

The Lucky Valentines

When: Tues. July 25 6:00 pm

Where: Library Park

What: Music in the Park;

Brandon Hale & the Dirty Shame



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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COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC

When: Friday July 14 and 28, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

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

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

HEALTHCARE NAVIGATOR

When: Friday July 14, 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.

JULY 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



STORYTIME

When: Wednesday mornings, 10:30-11:30 am July 5, 12, 19 & 26
Please note that Thursday Storytimes are currently suspended. We look forward to seeing you and your child when Thursday Storytimes return in September!

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.

July's theme is Lions and Tigers and Bears, Oh My!



TODDLER TIME

When: Friday mornings, 10:30-11:30 am July 7, 14, 21, and 28

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

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.





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BEAR AWARE STORY WALK—A COLLABORATION WITH THE LEWIS & CLARK INTERPRETIVE CENTER

When: June 10 to August 4 from dawn to dusk

Where: Gibson Park

Audience: Community members of all ages

What: Take a stroll in Gibson this summer to learn more about bears and bear safety with our Bear Aware Story Walk! Read *All About Bears* by Jennifer Szymanski, then find out how to safely share the woods with Montana's top predators. This bear safety presentation was created by Forest Rangers at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center. It is color-coded with age-appropriate information for little kids, big kids, and adults.



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.

To hear this great bear book read and safety presentation read aloud, please visit our SoundCloud:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-781769430>

For more information about Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center, please visit their website:

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/hlcnf/recarea/?recid=61458>

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS (5E) SUMMER CAMPAIGN

When: Saturdays from 3-5:30

July 8, 15, 22, and 29

No meeting Saturday, July 1 due to the 4th of July holiday.

Where: Library basement meeting rooms

Audience: Preteens and teens 10-18

What: Our Summer Campaign will meet on Saturdays from 3-5:30 for 8 weeks starting June 10.



Make new friends and get creative with this fantasy-themed tabletop role-playing game. D&D supports the development of social, problem solving, and even practical math skills! A snack will be provided. ASL interpretation is available upon request.

We're sorry, sign up for our Summer Campaign is now closed. For more information about D&D at the Library, contact Youth Services staff:

rmcfadden@greatfallslibrary.org

(406) 453-0349, ext. 215

D&D at the Library is powered by volunteers! If you are at least 16 years old and interested in sharing your love of the game with kids and teens 10-18, please visit the Circulation Desk to fill out a volunteer application or contact Youth Services staff for more information.



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KINDNESS CRAFTS

Spread the love this summer with Kindness Crafts! Make new donatable, giftable and self-care projects on Wednesday afternoons this July. Please see our website calendar for full details.

Questions? Interested in attending with your summer camp or other group? Please contact Youth Services staff: (406) 453-0349, ext. 215 rmcfadden@greatfallslibrary.org

KINDNESS CRAFTS-YOU ARE MY SUNSHINE SUNCATCHERS

When: Wednesday July 12 1:00-2:00pm

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

Audience: Kids 5 to 12 and their families and caregivers

What: On July 12, share some sunshine with someone you love! Make suncatchers with colorful flat marbles and clear glue, or use stained glass paint or Sharpies to create a colorful suncatcher on an old CD. Make one for yourself, and make one to give to a friend or family member.



KINDNESS CRAFTS- SPA DAY: BATH BOMBS, SHEET MASKS, AND MAKE YOUR OWN MAKEUP

When: Wednesday, July 19, 1:00-2:00

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

Audience: Kids 5 to 12 and their families and caregivers

What: On July 19, we will practice self-care with bath and beauty projects. We will make our own bath bombs, relax with homemade sheet masks, and blend our own lip gloss and highlighter. Make one for yourself, plus extras to give to your friends and family.



KINDNESS CRAFTS- FEATHERED FRIENDS: BIRD SEED SHAPES AND POPCORN GARLANDS

When: Wednesday, July 26, 1:00-2:00

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

Audience: Kids 5 to 12 and their families and caregivers

What: On July 26, we conclude our Kindness Crafts series by making some tasty treats for wild birds. We will make bird seed ornaments and popcorn garlands to hang up outside for our feathered friends to enjoy.





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MY LITTLE PONY PARTY

When: Thursday, July 13, 11-12:30 pm

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

Audience: Kids 3 to 10 and their families and caregivers

What: Attention pony fans! You're invited to our My Little Pony Party, planned by Tyler, one of our VISTA Summer Associates. Make a pony tail for your ponytail, a suncatcher for your windows, and a Shrinky Dink necklace of your favorite pony! A light snack will be provided.

All Library programs are free and open to the public. Visitors are welcome-Library cards are NOT required to attend.



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TEMPORARY TATTOO ART WORKSHOP FOR TEENS

When: Saturday July 22, 12:00 – 1:00 pm

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

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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