

August at the Library



There's a lot happening this month at the Library!

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Art @ the Library

Alma Winberry's eclectic art exhibit continues throughout the month of August at the Great Falls Public Library.

Alma's art is an eclectic blend of paintings, sculptures, and unique one-of-a-kind pieces. No medium is taboo to Alma, who uses recycled material to create some of her whimsical sculptures. In an exhibit by Alma you may see fabric art, paper sculptures, pieces made of old car doors, hats, paintings, and more. With Alma every exhibit is as unique as her art.

Summer Reading Party

The Great Falls Public Library is hosting the annual Summer Reading Party on Thursday, August 7, from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Prizes for the children's and young adults Summer Reading program will be awarded at the party.

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Attendees can participate in a variety of cool, fun experiments, keeping in theme with the Summer Reading program. Returning to entertain is Bat Honey, the popular puppeteer duo who delighted the crowd last year. Not only does the duo write their shows, but they also create the puppet, stage, and entire production.

This year Bat Honey will be presenting their new show Space Bacon. Join the space traveling rock star Tony Tanzanite and his friends as they search the galaxy for the source of a mysterious transmission. But they must hurry, for the rowdy space band The Gaseous Fumes in on the same trail. Whoever gets their first will claim the prize: the chance to rock the universe.

The summer reading party is sponsored by the Friends of the Great Falls Public Library and private donors.

Page Forward

Page Forward Saturday book discussion group continues on Saturday, August 9, at 10:00 am. This group meets on the second Saturday of each month. This discussion group continues to read books about and by Montana women in celebration of the 100th anniversary of woman's suffrage in the state. This month's discussion selection is Long Way Home by Flora Wong from Helena. In this book Wong tells the story of her childhood in China and her immigration to Montana. She describes the life she and her husband made in Helena.

Page Forward Tuesday book discussion group continues on Tuesday, August 26 at 7:00 pm. This group meets on the fourth Saturday of each month. August's selection is The People of the Book by Geraldine Brooks. This thought provoking book boasts an exciting plot and historical reference.

This book discussion groups are open to anyone and are free and open to the public. Books are available for check out several weeks before each discussion.

Music in the Library Park

The Great Falls Public Library's annual Music in the Library Park Series, which takes place on Tuesday evenings (7:00) in the Library Park continues in August. These programs are free and open to the public. This series is sponsored by the Great Falls Public Library Foundation.

August 12, 7:00 Four Schillings Short

Back by popular demand, this duo plays music in styles that include Celtic, World, & Folk. These modern day troubadours play a variety of instruments including sitar, guitar, krumhorn, psaltery, dumbek, charango, bodhran, and more.

August 19, 7:00 We Ski Cousins

This local crowd pleasing duo known to many from their gigs up at Kings' Hill, play contemporary acoustic rock.

August 26, 7:00 Jeni Dodd

Jeni closes out the series with old favorites and less well known tunes.

Celebrating Woman's Suffrage

Continuing with the emphasis on the 100th anniversary of woman's suffrage in the state, the library's Brown Bag Lunch series presents three more programs about women's lives on Thursdays at noon in the Library Park. These programs are free and open to the public.

Thursday, August 14, Noon

Women in the West with Jo Anne Church

UFG Professor Jo Anne Church will trace historical attitudes toward settling the West, the differences in men's and women's experiences. Because of the unique roles each gender had, where men found freedom, independence,

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and adventure, women found hardship, physical discomfort, and the reality of scraping a living off the land.

Thursday, August 21, Noon

Chainsaws, Charcoal, & Children: The Early Days of Women in the Forests

with Jane Weber

Cascade County Commissioner Jane Weber will talk about her experiences as a woman in the Forest Service (a definite minority at that time), earning her way up the ranks to become the Director of the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.

Thursday, August 28, Noon

Native American Women with Deb Kottel

Local attorney and UGF Professor Kottel will talk about the historical experiences of American Indian women that have made them vulnerable to commercial sexual exploitation and how this impacts their well-being. She will also discuss abuse in home communities and the barriers and challenges facing Native women and girls.

Kids' Place Activities

Schedule subject to change

What: Wii Gaming

Dates: August 1, 2, 8, 9, 16, 23, 29, 30

Who: Children under 12 with accompanying adult

Time: 3:00-5:00p.m.

Location: Kids' Place

What: Toddler Time

Dates: August 1, 8, 29

Who: Birth – 30 months with accompanying adult

Time: 10:30 to 11:15

Location: Basement

No Preschool Story Time

Dates: August 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21

Summer Reading Final Party

Thursday, August 7

5:00-7:00p.m.

Library Park

Kids enter the GRAND PRIZE DRAWING by bringing their completed Library Visit Record Sheet (8 stickers) to the final party. Child must be present to win one of over 100 prizes.

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What: Preschool Story Time

Dates: August 27 & 28

Who: 30 months -5 year olds with accompanying adult

Theme: Autumn is Coming!

Time: 10:30 to 11:00

Location: Kids' Place

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