

children



BUSY BABY BAGS

(for ages 0 - 18 months)

Available starting May 2 and June 1

These storytime kits are for our youngest patrons and their caregivers. Pick up at the Library; available while supplies last.

PRESCHOOL ACTIVITY KITS

(for ages 2 - 5)

Available starting May 2 and June 1

Pick up a storytime kit to enjoy at home with your preschooler. Pick up at the Library; available while supplies last.

BOOK CLUB IN A BAG

(for ages 6 - 9)

Available starting May 2 and June 1

The May Book Club in a Bag Kit is based on the book *The Gruffalo* by Julia Donaldson. The June kit is based on the book *On A Beam of Light* by Jennifer Berne. Pick up at the Library; available while supplies last.

DROP-IN PLAY: CO-OP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTAL PLAY SPACE (for ages 2 - 5)

Starting Sunday, May 1, 1:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Beginning in May, the Co-op Community Developmental Play Space will be open for drop-in play on Sundays. In June, drop-in play will be expanded to include Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings after 5:00 pm.

MAY THE FOURTH BE WITH YOU: SCAVENGER HUNT

Available all day from Wednesday, May 4 to Saturday, May 7

Celebrate Star Wars Day by bringing the whole family down to the Library to complete our Star Wars-themed scavenger hunt! Every family that completes the hunt will be entered to win a bundle of Star Wars books!



FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

Saturday, May 7, 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

Come by the Library to get free comics for all ages! For bonus cool points and to enter to win a prize, come dressed in your best cosplay.

LEARN TO PLAY: MARVEL UNITED

(for ages 8+)

Saturday, May 7, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Honor Currie Room

Join Steven Durk, Medicine Hat Board Game Guy, on Free Comic Book Day to learn to play Marvel United. Your group will take on the role of iconic Marvel Heroes cooperating to stop the master plan of a powerful Villain controlled by the game. Online registration is required.

WORM TIME FOR KIDS: HOME VERMICOMPOSTING

(for ages 7 - 9)

Saturday, June 11, 1:30 pm Library Lawn

Come see and touch the worms, and look under the microscope to see the amazing tiny world under our feet that works tirelessly to help us feed the world, make flowers grow, and give us shade. Roxanne from T.R.A.D. Worm Industries will show you how easy it is to vermicompost at home and use your household waste to reduce the money you spend on fertilizing your plants. Online registration is required.







Online registration is required for our storytimes.

Children must attend with a parent or other adult caregiver; older siblings are welcome.

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR BABIES AND ONES

(for ages 4 - 18 months)

Thursday, May 26, and June 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30 am Honor Currie Room

Enjoy songs, rhymes, tickles, and knee bounces with your baby.

FAMILY STORYTIME FOR TODDLERS

(for ages 18 - 36 months)

Tuesday, May 24, 31, and June 7, 14, 21, 28 10:30 am

Honor Currie Room

Join us for stories, songs, and rhymes for your toddler.

FAMILY SING-ALONG STORYTIME

(for ages 2 - 5)

Wednesday, May 25, and June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 10:30 am Library Lawn

Library Lawn

Join us for songs and rhymes to get your preschoolers moving to work those wiggles out! Weather permitting, this program will be held outside on the Library's lawn so please bring something to sit on like a towel or blanket and a water bottle. In the event of poor weather we will move inside to the Library Theatre.

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TWEEN TAKE-AND-MAKE KITS

(for ages 10 - 12)

Available starting May 2 and June 1

In May, pick up a kit and May the Fourth Be With You as you create a light-up Star Wars card. In June, pick up a kit that will help you feed the bees. Available while supplies last.

INBETWEEN BOOK CLUB

(for ages 10 - 12)

Thursday, May 5, 12, 19, 26 7:00 pm

Join us for our virtual book club! This month we're reading *The Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus* by Dusti Bowling. We will meet every Thursday evening on GoogleMeets to discuss the book and do an activity together. Online registration is required.

TWEEN PLATE SMASH FOR MENTAL HEALTH

(for ages 10 - 12)

Saturday, June 18 & 25, 1:00 pm Medalta

Feeling stressed? Join us at Medalta to expend some energy by creating and smashing plates. Community Coming Together (CCT) will also be there to lead us in a mental health discussion and fun stress-relieving activities. Online registration is required.

TWEEN MOVIE NIGHT

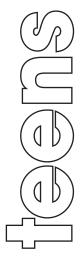
(for ages 10 - 12)

Thursday, June 16, 6:00 pm Library Theatre

Tweens: Celebrate the end of the school year by coming down to watch a movie in our theatre! Individual snacks will be provided. Online registration is required.









CRAFT KITS FOR TEENS & ADULTS

(for ages 13+)

Available starting May 2 and June 1

In May, pick-up a kit to make your own luminary. June's craft kit has everything you need to make a beaded suncatcher! Available while supplies last.

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

(for ages 13 - 19)

Tuesday, May 3, 17, 31, and June 14, 28 6:00 pm

Honor Currie Room

Adventurers wanted: All experience levels welcome! Help us create a fantasy world to quest and get up to shenanigans in. Online registration is required.

TEEN GRAFFITI WORKSHOP

(for ages 13 - 19)

Thursday, May 26, 6:00 pm Honor Currie Room

Teens: This is your unique chance to come to a graffiti art workshop with local artist Jeff Goring / Sonz1! Jeff's work can be seen in several locations around town; he's been spreading positivity with his art for over 20 years. Online registration is required.

TEEN PLATE SMASH FOR MENTAL HEALTH

(for ages 13 - 19)

Saturday, June 18 & 25, 3:00 pm

Medalta

Feeling stressed? Join us at Medalta to expend some energy by creating and smashing plates. Community Coming Together (CCT) will also be there to lead us in a mental health discussion and fun stress-relieving activities. Online registration is required.

TEEN ANIME NIGHT

(for ages 13 - 19)

Thursday, June 30, 6:00 pm Library Theatre

Celebrate the end of the school year with all things anime! Join us for candy sushi, crafts, and anime viewing. Online registration is required.





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In May, pick-up a kit to make your own luminary. June's craft kit has everything you need to make a beaded sun-catcher! Available while supplies last.

STITCHING IN THE AFTERNOON

Tuesdays in May and June, 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Legion Room

Bring along a knitting or crochet project to share skills, laughs, and some light refreshments.

AFTERNOON MOVIE FOR ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DELAYS

Wednesday, May 4 and June 1, 12:45 pm Library Theatre

Our developmentally delayed patrons and their caregivers are welcome to join us for an afternoon movie in the Library Theatre.

READERS' THEATRE

Thursdays in May and June, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Honor Currie Room

Join this group of no-pressure seniors who get together to read aloud scripts of plays.

AFTERNOON TRIVIA

Friday, May 6 and June 3, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm Honor Currie Room

Join us for an hour of trivia and socializing. Adults/seniors of all ages are welcome to join. Snacks and beverages provided. Online registration is required.

FICTION BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, May 10 and June 21, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Legion Room

We're reading our way through the Library's Book Club Kits! In May we're reading *The Madness of Crowds* by Louise Penny. In June we're discussing *The Guncle* by Steven Rowley. Newcomers welcome. Online registration is required.

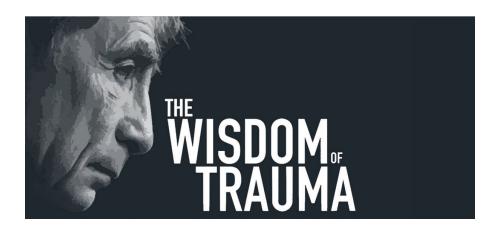
POP-UP LIBRARY AT THE BIG MARBLE GO CENTRE

Saturday, May 14, 28, and June 11, 25, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Big Marble Go Centre

Stop by the Big Marble Go Centre to visit our Pop-Up Library in the main lobby! Sign up for a library card, check out and return books.







WISDOM OF TRAUMA SCREENING & PANEL DISCUSSION

Tuesday, May 17, 6:30 pm Library Theatre

In partnership with the City of Medicine Hat and Medicine Hat Community Housing Society, we will be screening *The Wisdom of Trauma* - an exploration led by Gabor Mate, a bestselling author and physician of the connection between trauma and health. There will be a panel discussion afterwards focusing on how the film pertains to Medicine Hat. Online registration is required.

CLASSIC MOVIE: TOP GUN (1986)

Wednesday, May 18, 2:00 pm Library Theatre

As students at the United States Navy's elite fighter weapons school compete to be best in the class, one daring young pilot learns a few things from a civilian instructor that are not taught in the classroom. With Tom Cruise and Tim Robbins. 109 min.

AUTHOR TALK & BOOK SIGNING: JOHN CHERWONOGRODZKY

Wednesday, May 25, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Honor Currie Room

John will be visiting the Library to talk about his new book, *Thirty (30) Short Stories on Make Believe (Some Nice, Some Naughty)*.







NON-FICTION BOOK CLUB

Thursday, May 26 and June 30, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Library Theatre

In May, join us to discuss 22 Murders: The RCMP, the Killer They Couldn't Catch and the Rampage that Shocked a Nation by Paul Palango. In June we're discussing How to Be a Climate Optimist: Blueprints for a Better World by Chris Turner. Online registration is required.

LEARN TO CROSS STITCH

Wednesday, May 25, 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Legion Room

Cross stitch is one of the easiest hand embroidery methods to learn! The process is similar to diamond painting or paint by numbers. If you have never done this hobby before, join us at the Library for a fun night of learning. Online registration is required.

SEAWA SAAMIS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE CLEAN-UP

Saturday, June 4, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Seven Persons Creek

South East Alberta Watershed Alliance (SEAWA) is celebrating Environment Week at Saamis Archeological Site, Seven Persons Creek on the banks and riparian areas with the following activities: trash pick-up, removal of invasive species and reporting them on EDDMapS, and riparian areas assessment. Meet us there to lend a hand in the clean-up effort.





SAAMIS TEPEE TOUR

Sunday, June 5, 10:30 am - 12:00 pm Saamis Tepee

Join Miywasin to visit the Saamis Tepee, a Medicine Hat landmark, and learn about the history behind the structure and the Indigenous artists and their storyboards that decorate the tepee. Finish off the tour with an Indigenous craft you can take with you. Online registration is required.

HEALTHY EATING ON A BUDGET

Tuesday, June 7, 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm Honor Currie Room

Join Alison Van Dyke from Community Food Connections to learn about menu planning, shopping, cooking, and making healthy choices. You will also learn about local food programs and resources that will save you money and support local producers. Online registration is required.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING ROUND-UP

Wednesday, June 8, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Library Lawn

Do you have old electronics and small appliances taking up space in your home? Stop by the Library to recycle them in partnership with Technotrash Alberta Ltd.

SIP AND CREATE: A FLOWER ARRANGING EXPERIENCE

Thursday, June 9, 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm Esplanade

Join Janelle Buye, owner/designer of Sweet Stems, for a flower arranging experience at the Esplanade. Sign-up for the adult experience (at 8:00 pm) and create your own flower arrangement or register for a family experience (at 6:00 pm) and create a flower crown. In honour of Sustainability Week, both adult and family experiences will incorporate sustainable materials and attendees will learn a little more about the importance of this practice. Get your tickets at tixx.ca.

CLASSIC MOVIE: ROXANNE (1987)

Wednesday, June 22, 2:00 pm Library Theatre

The large-nosed C.D. Bales is in love with the beautiful Roxanne; she falls for his personality but another man's looks. With Steve Martin and Daryl Hannah. 106 min.

SHARPIE DECORATED PLANTERS

Wednesday, June 22, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Legion Room

Decorate some clay pots in fun, colorful designs with paint and markers! This craft is perfect for all skill levels. Online registration is required.





love the library?



Get involved with planning and fundraising at your library!

Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month. Friends of the Library meetings are held four times per year.

For more information call 403-502-8527.

BOARD MEETINGS

Wednesdays, May 4 and June 1, 7:00 pm Honor Currie Room

The Library Board meets once a month; meetings are open to the public. Please email the Chief Librarian if you're interested in attending (kenf@shortgrass.ca).

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEETING

Date TBD Legion Room

Attend the Friends of the Library meetings to see how you can get involved in fundraising and book sale planning.



Library Hours

Mondáy, Friday, Saturday: 10am - 5pm Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10am - 8pm

Sunday: 1pm - 5pm

Closed on Monday, May 23 and Wednesday, June 1

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