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Fasten your seat belts—it's time for the 2012 edition of our most successful program: Summer at the Library!

New this year, MLS is offering three different programs—one for children, one for teens and a new one for early childhood. You can get more complete information by checking out the article in this issue, or by visiting our website at www.metrolibrary.org.

But Summer at the Library isn't the only spooning we'll be doing in June. We'll be laying out the love with other programs and services as well, and if you haven't had the chance to visit our newest baby—the Patience S. Latting Northwest Library at 5600 NW 122nd that opened last month—take some time to drop in and look around.

You'll love it.



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Oklahoma Images

PARK IT!

by Larry Johnson

Our poor old Civic Center park has never gotten the respect it probably deserves. For a patch of land that was fought over since the land run, you'd think it would be hallowed ground. The city has tried innovative landscaping, statues, fountains and even the Arts Festival, but the land between the Civic Center Music Hall and the Municipal Building has never quite captured the public's attention. Even though Project 180 is scheduled to usher in a new era for the park, its design and use is still contentious.





So ignominious is the park that for the first forty years of its life it really didn't even have a name – it was simply “the Civic Center park” – and then in 1976 when the statues arrived it was renamed Bicentennial Park in honor of our nation's 200th birthday. But the name never caught on with the public because, frankly, it was confusing. Most of our parks bear names of local importance and a park-stroller would indeed see markers and statues of locally prominent people, begging the question, “Bicentennial of what?” At this writing the park has been torn up and it will likely get a new name but that name has yet to be decided. (If you've been sitting on a brilliant name for the newly-designed park, now is the time to let your council representative hear from you.)

I'm writing about the park this month because I recently received a donation of 117 historical negatives from a local

photographer. I found several gems in the collection but I was really excited to see this picture of the Swiss Floral Clock. I'd read about it before but hadn't seen a good



The Swiss Floral Clock in Civic Center park

reproducible photo of it before.

The clock was a gift of the Watchmakers of Switzerland via the Oklahoma Retail Jewelers Association. The Swiss provided the clock, the Association provided the maintenance, and the city Parks Department took care of the landscaping. Mayor Jack Wilks and the council were not sure where to put the 17-foot diameter

clock, but Parks head R. R. “Pat” Murphy knew just the spot – a naked patch on the east side of the Civic Center park.

Parks employees built the structure in the spring of 1965, but the internationally famous reputation of Swiss precision was tarnished when the giant clock hands wouldn't fit on the mechanical drive shaft. It took two years before the clock was finally ready. It's not real sharp in this photo, but the numbers for the clock were planted in different types of flowers than the background which was reportedly planted with Joseph's Coat.

The Swiss floral clock was a casualty of the park's major redesign into Bicentennial Park in 1975-76. I'm still trying to find out what happened to the giant hands, imagining they were sold in a city surplus sale. Similar gifts were made to many cities around the world and it appears the last operational one is in Queen Victoria Gardens in Melbourne, Australia.

Larry “Buddy” Johnson has been with MLS since 1998. Not only a librarian at the Downtown Library, he is the brilliant mind behind the Oklahoma Images database which is a collection of pictures and essays that illustrate the history of central Oklahoma.





Reviews & Recommendations

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ON THE SHELF

Below Stairs

by Margaret Powell

reviewed by Christine Bassett



Many Americans are experiencing “Downtown Abbey” withdrawal after being captivated by the PBS series about life above and below stairs in an English manor house. The series has brought about a craving for books and DVDs for anything and everything similar. Originally published in 1968 in Great Britain, St. Martin’s Press rushed to publish Margaret Powell’s delightful memoir of her life as a kitchen maid, *Below Stairs*, earlier this year in order to satisfy the cravings of the reading public.

Powell was born in 1907 in a suburb of Brighton called Hove on the south coast of England. She left school at age 14 and, being from a poor family and the second oldest of seven children, had few options open to her except for the life of service. She hated needlework and so she was limited to taking the lowest job available which was as the kitchen maid, derogatively known as a *skivvy*. Working as a kitchen maid involved getting up at 5:30, polishing and scrubbing the front steps and the brass; blacking the fire grates, and polishing all the boots and shoes, all before 8 a.m. as well as cleaning the china and polishing all the copper in the kitchen. Her hands were constantly

red raw as there were no rubber gloves to wear in those days and using blacklead for polishing as well as other harsh abrasives ruined your hands. She took many positions in both Hove and London before she felt confident enough to apply for a job as a cook in a small establishment. Eventually she realized her dream of leaving service by finding a young man to marry.

Below Stairs reads like fiction and is a delight from start to finish as Margaret tells the story of her frustrations and longings with both humor and detail.

Other suggestions to cure Downtown withdrawal include:

The House at Tyneford by Natasha Solomons

The American Heiress by Daisy Goodwin

Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey: The Lost Legacy of Highclere Castle by Fiona, Countess of Carnarvon. 942.2/C288c

Rose: My life In Service To Lady Astor by Rosina Harrison. 331.48164/H3219

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ON THE SHELF

Mail-Order Mysteries: Real Stuff From Old Comic Book Ads

by Kirk Demarais

reviewed by Doug Bentin



Calling all Devo fans. Yes! You can get for your very own a Spud Gun for only \$1.50. It’s a “fast action gun that shoots potato pellets as far as 50 ft. with more than 300 shots from a single potato. Absolutely harmless!”

And that’s just one of the hundreds of tempting whatsits that were advertised in the pages of our favorite comic books when we were kids. How about an “Electronic Lie & Love Detector” for \$5.95? Come on, who had \$5.95? With that kind of cash, I would have been loved by any girl. Or a “Working Laser

Pistol” for 2 bucks. And of course there were “X-Ray Spex” that allowed you to “see thru clothing . . .” You knew it had to be a con, but it was only a dollar. And maybe, just maybe . . .

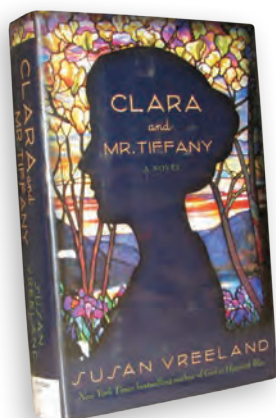
A slew of these wild and woolly old ads are reproduced in this gold mine of nostalgia for those of a certain age. If you’re younger, it’s just more proof, if any is needed, that your parents were complete dorks.

Doug Bentin edits and writes in info magazine.



Clara and Mr. Tiffany

by Susan Vreeland



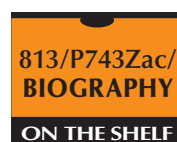
Hundreds of pieces of colored glass--that's what Tiffany lamps are made of; but perhaps you've never given much thought to how they came to be. Up until the last few years, the design of Tiffany's nature-themed lamps was attributed to Louis Comfort Tiffany. Then a researcher discovered a group of letters written by Clara Driscoll that proved she had designed those beautiful lamps.

Clara was the head of the women's department at Tiffany Studios. She designed, and "her girls" tediously cut thousands of tiny pieces of glass into non-geometric shapes to create lamps, mosaics, windows, and other decorative objects over a period of 20 years. During that time, Clara remained single, since women were required to resign immediately if they married. She loved her work and craved

recognition for it, but she also longed for a close personal relationship. Tension in the story is created by Clara being pulled in different directions by those desires. Through Clara's eyes, we are given a glimpse of the unfair working conditions women experienced during that time in history and how she resisted the efforts of men to oust women from their jobs.

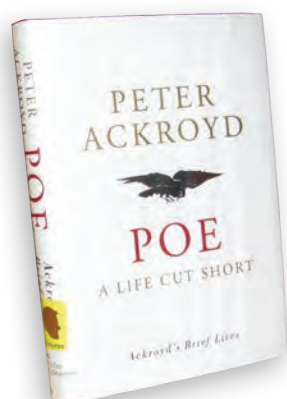
This title is also available as a compact disc audiobook, an OverDrive WMA Audiobook, as a Kindle or e-book compatible download, and in large print.

Phyllis Davidson is a reference librarian at the Downtown Library. She is the editor of a family newsletter, teaches genealogy classes to customers at the library, and delves into her own family history outside the library walls.



Poe: A Life Cut Short

by Peter Ackroyd



Recently I had the opportunity to visit one of the houses Edgar Allan Poe lived in during his short life. This one, in Philadelphia, had been preserved but not restored. Flimsy, un-insulated walls and rickety stairs highlighted the poverty and want that dogged Poe, whom Tennyson described as "the most original genius that America has produced".

"I do believe God gave me a spark of genius," Poe said, "but He quenched it in misery." Orphaned at a young age, Eddy (as he was called) ended up in a foster home, tolerated and sometimes loved. He experimented with lyrical poetry as a youth and exhibited a fascination for the macabre, perhaps due to the loss of his parents to tuberculosis and alcohol.

Poe definitely inherited a weakness for drink. Able to go for long periods without touching a bottle of spirits, he wasn't able to stop once he'd had a glass. One witness recalled him dropping by in the middle

of a drinking spree, clothes dirty and disheveled. He disparaged the hostess, ordered another guest to play the piano and sing, and then "minced up some radishes with such fury that pieces of them flew about the room." What an intriguing detail!

Ackroyd's skill lies in concisely outlining the life and accomplishments of Edgar Allan Poe, touching on his contributions to literature, his legacy and influence. The author also examines the contradictory nature of Poe, who went from one calamity to another, many of which were of his own making. Ackroyd demonstrates that at the center of Poe's work was a deeply held anger at the world. "He had a heart, always about to break."

With her sharply-honed reviewing skills, Jana Hausburg is ready to tackle any literary challenge. Except, maybe, vampire romance. She is also the manager at the Capitol Hill Library.



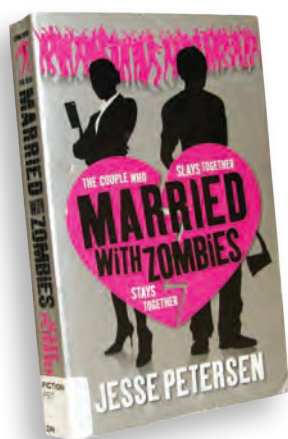
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ON THE SHELF

Married With Zombies

by Jesse Petersen

reviewed by Linda Hyams



If I didn't know better I'd think the zombie apocalypse would occur any day now. Perhaps all the books and movies about zombies are preparing us for the inevitable. I have to admit there are a lot of books to choose from.

My favorite is *Married With Zombies*, first in the "Living With the Dead" series. The story is pretty simple--a couple, Dave and Sarah, going through marriage counseling, stumbles upon a zombie plague. Their first hint of a problem was the lack of traffic on the highway to their doctor's appointment. The most tangible clue was when the doctor tried to eat them.

The book is quite witty, using everyday experiences interrupted by attacking voracious brain-sucking zombies. While attempting to work out their marital problems and complete such mundane tasks as filling the car, looting the convenience store, or stealing guns and ammo, the couple must dispense with the zombies who are trying to eat them.

The book's fast pace reminds me of the movie *Zombieland*. The book ends with Dave and Sarah realizing that, if they can defeat zombies, their marital problems can be worked out. Love conquers all.

Are you interested yet? While *Married With Zombies* might not be classic literature, it is a fun read. To add to the overall delight of the descriptive writing, each chapter juxtaposes gory mayhem with marital wisdom. For instance, Chapter 7 begins with the marital tip:

"Never go to bed angry. Terrified is okay."

There are two more books in the series, "*Flip This Zombie*" and "*Eat, Slay, Love*" and I can't wait to devour them. Uh, probably not a good choice of words.

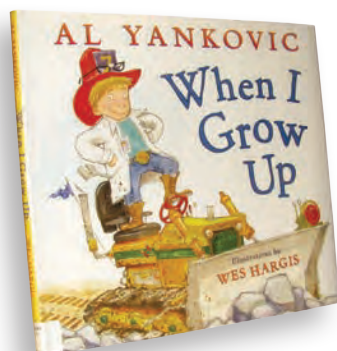
MLS Security Manager Linda Hyams takes her job seriously. She has a keen interest in anything related to crime prevention and security, but when not at work she enjoys walking with her dogs and sewing.

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ON THE SHELF

When I Grow Up

by Al Yankovic

reviewed by Jill Vessels



*'Cause maybe I'll be a gorilla masseuse
Or an artist who sculpts out of chocolate mousse
Or a rodeo clown or a movie director
Or maybe professional pickle inspector ...*

Billy's classmates may have never considered careers in snail training or sumo wrestling before, but by the time the exuberant eight-year-old is done cataloging his dream jobs, they might just share his belief in unlimited potential!

Virtuoso wordplay, irresistible rhythm, and laugh-out

loud humor abound in the first picture book by the one and only "Weird Al" (yes, that Weird Al), Yankovic. This unbridled celebration of creativity and possibility invites readers of all ages to consider afresh what *they* want to be when they grow up.

When Jill Vessels isn't working in the Cataloging department of the Metropolitan Library System, this gray-haired granny of four contemplates how many licks it takes to get to the center of a Tootsie Pop.

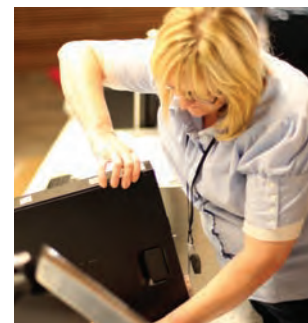
IT to the Rescue



Since many businesses are all awash now in technology that changes faster than most of us can keep up with it, a new legion of heroes has arisen to guide us through the brave new world of office machines. We used to dismiss them as “nerds.” Now they’re more like demigods.

So here’s a tip of the hat to the Brains in the Information Technology Department—IT.

“I guess I’m like most people,” said director of information technology Anne Fischer, “and I don’t count up the number of things we do all the time, but with the opening of the new Patience S. Latting Northwest Library I became more aware of it all.”



Anne has worked for MLS for over 30 years and the Northwest Library is the first one she’s developed an IT plan for from the ground up. Other libraries have opened during her tenure, but they’ve all involved moving from one location to another. This is her first from scratch site.

“It’s not just buying computers, setting them up, and showing staff how to turn them on. IT’s work started years before the groundbreaking.

“New software programs had to be written. Yes, we had to select and order computers because this library will have more of them available to the public than any other library in the system, but we also had to order phones, fax machines, monitors, printers, bar code scanners, surveillance cameras, wireless devices—even coin boxes. Then when the phones get here, we have to record voices messages. All calls will be answered in the back room so the staff working the floor can concentrate entirely on walk-in customers.”

“One of the neatest things we got,” Anne added, “is the sorter that automatically sorts returned items. It’s so tall, kids can’t look into it to see how it works, so it has a TV camera inside and you can watch it operate on a dedicated monitor. It satisfies curiosity and it’s completely safe.”

Stop by the Northwest Library at 5600 NW 122nd to see everyone in action. But be warned—if you look kind of techie, Anne might put you to work.



Are You Ready? Here Comes the Summer Reading Game!





When magician Criss Angel asks his audience “Are you ready?” he’s signaling the beginning of his show. When we ask “Are you ready?” we’re talking about the beginning of the great Summer Reading Game for 2012.

Buckle up. This year we’re breaking the record with three series of Summer events at three different age levels. The program for Early Childhood participants, from birth to preschool, is called *Dream Big—Read!* That’s also the name for activities and contests aimed at older kids, K-6th grade. The Teen program, *Own the Night*, is for grades 7-12.

As in years past the programs run from June 1 through July 31. You can’t sign up before June 1 but after that, go for it. And, of course, the summer will be loaded with gifts and prizes—the more you read (or are read to, or listen to recorded books), the better your chances of winning one of the Drawing Prizes in August.

At registration, everyone receives a Gameboard. When Goal 1 is reached, you get a Coupon Book with coupons for food and tickets to area events and cool places to visit. To reach

Goal 2, you can read some more or take advantage of the feature that allows you to do special activities that move you along. At Goal 2, you get a free book and an entry into the Prize Drawing at the end of the summer.

Okay, I hear you say—just what are these prizes? Early Childhood participants can receive gift certificates. Older kids can win gift certificates, a telescope, or a membership to Science Museum Oklahoma or the OKC Zoo. Teens will be eligible to win

gift certificates, a membership to the Oklahoma City Museum of Art, or a netbook.

“We have some incredibly awesome sponsors this year,” said MLS director of Outreach Services Dana Morrow. “We could never put on one program this big without them, and this year we’re putting on three! I’m blown away by their good will and desire to do what they can in order to keep kids and teens using the library during summer vacation.”

This short article is just to whet your appetite for summer library goodness. Sort of a tease. Check out the MLS website, www.metrolibrary.org, for fuller details about the 2012 Summer Reading Games.

No kidding, now—*Are you ready?*



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To see the latest information about library programs and events, please click on Calendar of Events on the MLS website: www.metrolibrary.org

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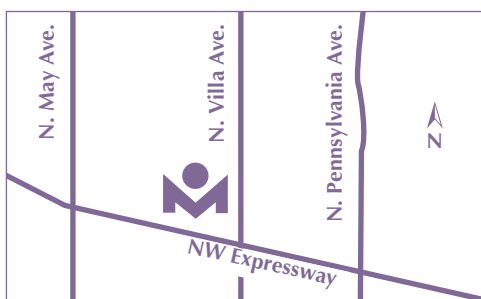
*Additional hours for these libraries began May 7

Belle Isle Library

5501 N. Villa Ave., OKC
(405) 843-9601

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6
Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) Counseling

Jun 2, 16 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p

Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available on the first and third Saturday of the month. The Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for small business owners, one on one. Sign up at the Reference desk for an appt. Cosponsor: Service Core of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jun 7 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 7 | Thur | 7-7:45p

All ages

An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Learn About e-Readers With a Local Author

Jun 12 | Tue | 7-8p

Teens and older

Join local multi-published author Lacy Williams as she gives an overview of the leading types of e-readers out there today, including brief how-tos on downloading books, reading, using the features and more. She'll also discuss her latest romance book, *The Homesteader's Sweetheart*, and writing novels. Books will be available for purchase and signing.

Critter Tales presents Night Sounds

Jun 14 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages

What does the word "nocturnal" mean? Who is that in the dark? Often at night you hear an animal before you see it. While you're sleeping many creatures are awake and active. Go on an imaginary camping trip to find out who's up and about.

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Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big

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Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting

Jun 17 | Sun | 3-5p

Teens-adults

The Metro OKC Knit Guild group is meeting at Belle Isle. Everyone--any knitter or a person who's never knitted, but would like to learn--is welcome. Each monthly program includes a lesson of a new knitting technique and examples of charity knitting projects. For questions about the group email at Mschoir01@gmail.com, Melissa.ryan@tinker.af.mil or call 361-2044 or 739-5799.

Belle Isle Anime/Manga Club

Jun 18 | Mon | 4-5p

Teens

Every third Monday of the month from 4-5pm. Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new Anime episodes!

*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.



Teens

Belle Isle Teen Crafts

Jun 21 | Thur | 4-5p

Teens

Come join us every third Thursday of the month for an arts and craft extravaganza! A different craft project every month. Don't miss out on the fun!



Teens

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

OKC Improv-Theater of Dreams

Jun 21 | Thur | 7-7:45p

All ages

Much like dreams, there is no limit to what you can do in improvisational theater. With imagination and some basic skills you can be anyone, go anywhere, and do anything. Watch OKC Improv create exciting stories from audience suggestions. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Stage Combat
Jun 27 | Wed | 7-8p
Ages 14-19



A beginner's workshop that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these techniques and practice will be under the supervision of Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods. For teens ages 14+ only. Younger teens may observe. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

Jun 28 | Thur | 7-7:45p
All ages



It's not the bat's fault. The bat is falsely blamed for so many things. Bats like to eat mosquitoes, ants, termites, moths, and even beetles, but they do not eat STEW! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Bethany Library

3510 N. Mueller, Bethany
 (405) 789-8363

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5
 Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



Developmental Screenings

Jun 1 | Fri | 9a-Noon
Ages birth to 5 years
w/guardian



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings. A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

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Al Bostick-In the DreamTime
Jun 5 | Tue

9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Music With Susan

Jun 7,21 | Thur | 10-10:30a
Ages 3-6



Join teacher Susan Wood for fun musical activities just right for the pre-kindergarten and kindergarten child. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Yu-Gi-Oh! Club

Jun 9 | Sat | 10-11:30a
Teens (Ages 12-18)



Bring your friends and your Yu-Gi-Oh! deck to trade, duel, or just talk Yu-Gi-Oh!

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Jun 12 | Tue
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Summer Fun For Toddlers

Jun 14 | Thur
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
Ages 18 mos - 3 yrs w/adult



Enjoy play time plus a story, songs and nursery rhymes. For child with adult. Choose the 9:30 or 10:30 session. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

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A Father's Day Celebration
Jun 16 | Sat | 2-3p

All ages



Celebrate Father's Day with lively music from the Mariachi Orquillo de America Band. Manly refreshments will be served after the program. Come early for a good seat. Doors close at 2pm..

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T-Shirt Jewelry
Jun 23 | Sat | 2-3p
Teens



Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

Jun 26 | Tue
9:30-10:15a & 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Summer Story & Craft Time
Jun 28 | Thur
10:30-10:45a
Ages 3-8



Bring your child to the library for stories and

a fun craft. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Capitol Hill Library

334 SW 26th St., OKC
(405) 634-6308

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



Summer Reading Kick-Off Party

Jun 2 | Sat | 1-2:30p

Ages 6-older

Join us for a glowing review of the Summer Reading program. Sign up and get prizes and coupons all summer long!

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 4 | Mon | 2-2:45p

All ages

An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Tell Me A Story:

Story & Craft

Jun 5 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a

Age 6 and younger

Kids love to hear a story! Join us for storytimes featuring nursery rhymes, popular children's books and beloved authors. Craft activity will be included. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 634-6308 for more information.



Summer Sequoyah Book Club

Jun 5,7,13,14,19,21,26,28 | Tue & Thur

3-4p

Grades 3-5

Keep your summer reading skills sharp, read the best new award nominated books, do fun activities and earn prizes towards the summer reading program game. You won't want to miss this fun time to read, learn and interact! Dream big! Read! Only for the month of June...don't miss it!

Midday Matinee

Jun 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 4-5:30p

All Ages

Take a break from the Tuesday drudgery with an educational or feature film. Every Tuesday at 4pm.

Developmental Screenings

Jun 7 | Thur | 1-4p

**Ages birth to 5 years
w/caregiver**

A developmental screening is a very general look at how your child is doing compared to other children the same age. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Appointments are one hour long and will include a small fee. To schedule an appointment call 425-4412. The child must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Department.



Children Reading to Dogs

Jun 9 | Sat | 1-2p

Children who can read

Our highly trained dog volunteers love to hear stories! Come practice your reading skills by reading to these adorable dogs! We provide the books AND the dogs. Please register at the information desk or by calling 634-6308.



Art in the Afternoon With Artist

Debbie Langston

Jun 9 | Sat | 2-4p

Ages 6 and older

Join us for a relaxing day of creating art with local artist Debbie Langston. Children younger than 10 are required to have a parent present. For more information please call 634-6308.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin'

Funky and Dreamin' Big

Jun 11 | Mon | 2-2:45p

All ages

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Tell Me A Story:

Move and Groove

Jun 12 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a

Age 6 and younger

Join us for preschool aerobics or yoga, and a short story time. Children must have an adult present.



Critter Tales presents Night Sounds

Jun 12 | Tue | 1-1:45p

All ages

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T-Shirt Jewelry

Jun 14 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

Computer Basics for Seniors

Jun 16 | Sat | 2-3:30p

Adults

Join us every third Saturday at Capitol Hill for a computer class. This class includes everything from Internet Searching to Email and much more. Please register at 634-6308 as space is limited.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

OKC Improv-Theater of Dreams

Jun 18 | Mon | 2-2:45p

All ages

Much like dreams, there is no limit to what you can do in improvisational theater. With imagination and some basic skills you can be anyone, go anywhere, and do anything. Watch OKC Improv create exciting stories from audience suggestions. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Tell Me a Story: Parachute Play

Jun 19 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a

Ages 6 and younger

Children love to hear stories, and being read to is the beginning of early childhood literacy. Come hear tales from loved authors, and have fun with the parachute.



Vampire 101: Science

Museum Oklahoma

Jun 21 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

Vampires are the rock stars of today's young adult fiction. In this hands-on exploration, we'll investigate the science behind vampire lore and use technology to experience first-hand the strengths and weaknesses of the modern-day vampire. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.



METROPOLITAN LIBRARY PRESENTS:

DREAM BOXES

Local artist Kiona Millirons will be on hand to help teens create a 3D Dream Box inspired by their dreams.

Supplies provided – It's free and part of OWN THE NIGHT, 2012 Teen Summer Reading.



Wednesday, June 6 at 2pm
The Village Library, 10307 N. Penn (755-0710)

Thursday, June 7 at 2pm
Del City Library, 4509 SE 15th (672-1377)

Thursday, June 21 at 6pm
Choctaw Library, 2525 Muzzy St. (390-8418)

Wednesday, July 11 at 11am
Southern Oaks Library, 2914 SW 59th (631-4468)

Monday, July 23 at 3pm
Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard (341-9282)



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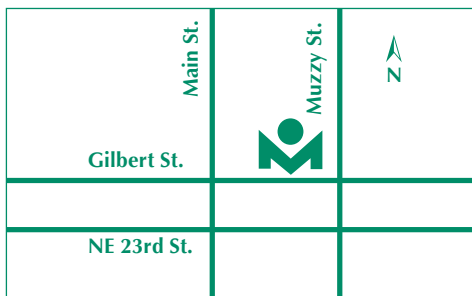
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**Bilingual Story Time -
English y Español****Jun 21 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p
Age 2-6**

Kids love to hear a story! Join us for story times featuring nursery rhymes, popular children's books and beloved authors. Craft or play activity will be included. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Call 634-6308 for more information.

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All ages**

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Choctaw Library2525 Muzzy St., Choctaw
(405) 390-8418**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6**Dream Big Read! Make & Take****Jun 1 | Fri | 10a-5p
Kids**

Kick off the first day of summer reading at the Choctaw Library. Stop by to learn about our new and improved "Summer At the Library." Create a Dream Big Magnet while you are here. All ages from birth through 6th grade are encouraged to sign up and read through the summer. (Teens, check out the Teen Game—Own the Night!)

Lapsit Story Time**Jun 5,12,19,26 | Tue
9:30-10a****Ages 6 months-3 years**

Join us for simple songs, rhymes, and stories for parents and babies to enjoy together. Call 390-8418 or stop by the reference desk to sign up.

Preschool Storytime**Jun 5,12,19,26 | Tue
10:30-11a****Ages 3-5 years**

Come to the library for stories, songs, finger-plays, and fun to help build early literacy skills. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the Reference Desk for more information.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big
Jun 6 | Wed | 2-2:45p****All ages**

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Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance Class**Jun 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6:15-7:15p
Older Teens and Adults**

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance is a fun class using eight-forms. Tai Chi is a low-impact dance-like exercise that can be done in almost any location. It offers benefits for all ages, including improved posture, and flexibility, improved mental and physical health, improved musculoskeletal and cardiovascular conditions, improved sleep and stress reduction, to name a few. Class is free, but space is limited, so sign up by calling 390-8418, ext 3. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Gamefest**Jun 7 | Thur | 5:30-7:30p
Teens**

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

OKC's Funniest Magician**Jun 8 | Fri | 10-11a****All ages**

Laugh and be amazed by OKC's Funniest Magician.

Open Play Time**Jun 9 | Sat | 10-11a
Age 6 months-5 years
w/parents**

Sharing in playtime with your young child helps promote learning and development. Each second Saturday the Choctaw Library provides a roomful of great toys for children ages 6 months to 5 years. We invite you to join in the fun! Call 390-8418 to register.

Children Reading to Dogs**Jun 9 | Sat | 3-4p
Jun 20 | Wed | 10-11a
Children who can read**

Come and read to a dog! (A dog and trainer certified as a therapy team by Therapy Dogs International.) Readers can come to practice and improve their reading skills. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! Bring your own book or borrow one from us! Come by or call 390-8418 to reserve a space.

Tips For Raising a Reader**Jun 12 | Tue | 6-7p
Adults**

Ashley Mendez-Kestler will present an informative seminar on tips for raising a reader for parents and caregivers. Ashley's age-specific ideas will enhance the opportunities for children to get a jump into the world of reading. Pre-registration preferred. 390-8418.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Al Bostick-In the DreamTime
Jun 13 | Wed | 2-2:45p****All ages**

An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Stage Combat**Jun 14 | Thur | 6-7p
Ages 14-19**

A beginner's workshop that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these techniques and practice will be under the supervision of Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods. For teens ages 14+ only. Younger teens may observe. Pre-register.

Critter Tales presents Night Sounds**Jun 15 | Fri | 10-10:45a****All ages**

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June 2012 Thursday Noon Tunes

**Downtown Library Atrium every
Thursday from 11:30 to 12:30pm**

- June 7:** Strigents, rock string quartet
June 14: Twinprov, the Vrazel Brothers comedy duo
June 21: Kare'n Khanagov's string studio
June 28: Monty Harper, wacky, witty musical fun

All performances are free and open to the public.



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Dream Boxes

**Jun 21 | Thur | 6-7p
Teens**

Make your own 3D dream box! Explore Surrealist images through collage and assemblage as a local artist helps you create a piece of art inspired by your dreams. Supplies provided. Pre-register.



Teens

Juggle Whatever: Juggling in the Dark

Jun 22 | Fri | 10-11a

All ages

Juggle Whatever is a fun way to learn new skills as a juggler. From beginners to experts we will all be juggling in the dark.

Ookami Anime Club

Jun 23 | Sat | 2:30-4p

Teens

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga (Japanese drawings and cartoons). Screen new Anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun!

*Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger.



Teens

Chasing Fireflies

Jun 25 | Mon | 6-7p

Age 3 and older

Remember how magical it was when the sun



finally set and the fireflies came out to light up the warm summer night? Join us in this hands-on adventure to discover how these mysterious insects live and glow. Make an LED firefly of your own. Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Chasing James - Rhythmic Rhymes

Jun 27 | Wed | 2-2:45p

All ages

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Vampire 101: Science Museum Oklahoma

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Teens

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Teens

Gnomes at Night

Jun 29 | Fri | 10-11a

Ages 6-11

Learn about these mysterious creatures and create your own gnomes to take with you to

inhabit your home. **Class Sign up limited to 25.** Please pre-register for this class 390-8418.

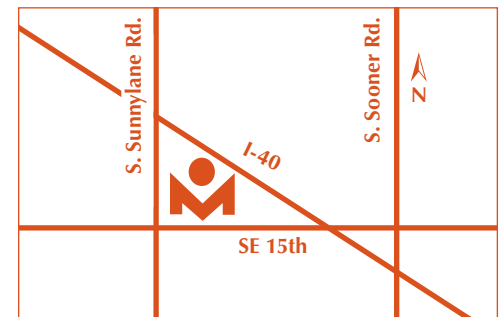
Del City Library

4509 S.E. 15th, Del City
(405) 672-1377

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6



Storytime

Jun 1 | Fri | 10:30-11a

Age 3-6

Children benefit a lot from storytimes: an increased attention span, a larger vocabulary, and better listening skills just to name a few. But, most of all storytimes are fun! So please join us for stories, songs, action rhymes, and more. To sign up or for more information visit us at the Del City Library or call 672-1377.



Summer Reading Kick-Off**Jun 1 | Fri | 2-3p****Kids and teens**

Join us for the Summer Reading Kick-Off Party. We'll be having fun outside with games, a simple craft, and refreshments. For more information call 672-1377 or visit us at the information desk

Baby Play**Jun 2 | Sat | 11a-Noon****Ages 6 mos - 4 yrs w/parent**

You are your child's first and most important teacher and they learn so much from you when you get down on their level and play with them. So we invite you to come share our toys and join us for an hour of play time followed by a short story time. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. To sign up or for more information please call 672-1377 or visit us at the information desk

**Gamefest****Jun 4 | Mon | 2-4p****Teens**

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Xbox360, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

**Summer Crafts for Kids****Jun 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 2-3:30p****Age 8 and older**

Beat the heat with cool summer crafts! Join us every Monday afternoon this summer for a different craft project. Space is limited so please sign up. Call 672-1377 for more info. Dream Big!

Jun 4 Sleepover Sacks

Jun 11 Firefly Jars

Jun 18 Bedside Book Caddy

Jun 25 Bedroom Door Signs

Ayumu Anime Club**Jun 5 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p****Teens**

Share and discuss your favorite Anime and Manga. Screen new anime episodes each month! Snacks will be provided so come join the fun! *Anime may contain material that is considered unsuitable for ages 13 and younger. Please call 672-1377 for more information or to sign up.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big****Jun 6 | Wed
10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Hooked on Yarn Crochet Class**Jun 6,13,20,28 | Wed | 6-7p****All ages**

Learn the basics of crochet. Students of all ages and skill levels are welcome! Classes are from 6-7pm on Wednesdays. Yarn and crochet hooks will be provided, but participants can bring their own if they have them. Pre-registration is required, as space is limited.

Dream Boxes**Jun 7 | Thur | 2-3p****Teens**

Make your own 3D dream box! Explore Surrealist images through collage and assemblage as a local artist helps you create a piece of art inspired by your dreams. Supplies provided. Pre-register.

**Movie Night****Jun 7, 14,21 | Thur | 6-8p****All ages**

Please join us for a "Night at the Movies!" The curtain goes up at 6PM and all are welcome to attend! Please call 672-1377 for movie titles.

Read It! Movie Matinee**Jun 8,22 | Fri | 1-3p****Age 7 and older**

Come see the movie version of a popular or classic book. Movies are rated G or PG. For more information or to find out what movie we are showing please call 672-1377 or visit us at the reference desk.

Teen Reads Book Club**Jun 12 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p****Teens**

Hey teens, do you like books and pizza? Of course you do! Read the book first or read it after, just be ready to talk books! This month we are reading *The Secret Hour* by Scott Westerfeld. Reserve a copy or stop by the Information Desk to pick up a copy of the book.

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10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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**Children Reading to Dogs****Jun 14,28 | Thur****6:30-7:30p****Jun 23 | Sat | 9a-Noon****Children at reading age**

Reluctant readers, emergent readers, and readers who just need more practice can sharpen their reading skills by reading to a Certified Therapy Dog and their owner. Reading to a dog is a great way to practice reading aloud; the dogs and their owners are an uncritical audience. Kids can bring their own book or choose one from our shelves. For more information please call 672-1377 or visit us at the information desk. Don't forget to read to your pet at home too!

**Critter Tales presents Night Sounds****Jun 15 | Fri | 2-2:45p****All ages**

What does the word "nocturnal" mean? Who is that in the dark? Often at night you hear an animal before you see it. While you're sleeping many creatures are awake and active. Go on an imaginary camping trip to find out who's up and about.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling**Jun 19 | Tue | 2-3p****Teens**

All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?****Jun 20 | Wed
10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Chasing James - Rhythmic Rhymes****Jun 27 | Wed
10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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NEIGHBORHOOD ARTS PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Visit our website at www.metrolibrary.org or call your local library for a complete listing of summer events. *Please call regarding pre-registration before attending any event.*

SCHEDULE A

June 4 – 8
Al Bostick

June 11 – 15
Sugar Free All Stars

June 18 – 22
OKC Improv

June 25 – 29
Rhythmically Speaking

July 2 – 6
Spaghetti Eddie

July 9 – 13
Cimarron Circuit

July 16 – 20
Chasing James – Lisa Curl & Laura Franklin

July 23 – 27
Children's Music Festival



Mondays:

Northwest Library
(606-3580) 10:30am

Capitol Hill Library
(634-6308) 2pm

Tuesdays:

Bethany Library
(789-8363) 9:30am;
10:30am

Downtown Library
(231-8650) 1:30pm

Wednesdays:

Wright Library
(235-5035) 10:30am
*Events held offsite at
1300 S. Penn*

Warr Acres Library
(721-2616) 2pm

Thursdays:

The Village Library
(755-0710) 2pm

Belle Isle Library
(843-9601) 7pm

Fridays:

Harrah Library
(454-2001) 10:30am
Events held offsite at 19625 NE 23rd.



SCHEDULE B

June 4 – 8
Sugar Free All Stars

June 11 – 15
Al Bostick

June 18 – 22
Rhythmically Speaking

June 25 – 29
Chasing James – Lisa Curl & Laura Franklin

July 2 – 6
OKC Improv

July 9 – 13
Oklahoma Children's Theatre

July 16 – 20
Cimarron Circuit

July 23 – 27
Children's Music Festival

Mondays:

Southern Oaks Library
(631-4468) 10:30am
*Events held offsite at
6500 S. Land Ave.*

Midwest City Library
(732-4828) 7pm

Tuesdays:

Ralph Ellison Library
(424-1437) 10:30am

Luther Library
(277-9967) 2pm
*Events held offsite at
320 SE 2nd.*

Wednesdays:

Del City Library
(672-1377) 10:30am

Choctaw Library
(390-8418) 2pm

Thursdays:

Edmond Library
(341-9282) 9:30am;
10:30am

Jones Library
(399-5471) 2pm
*Events held offsite at
120 W. Atlanta*

Fridays:

Nicoma Park Library
(769-9452) 10:30am

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The Busy Person's Book Club**Jun 28 | Thur | 6-7p****All ages**

Do you like good books and good conversation, but don't have a lot of time on your hands? Come to the Busy Person's Book Club! Each month's selection is under 200 pages long and is sure to grab your attention quick and hold it until the very last page. This month we are reading *Sula* by Toni Morrison. Call 672-1377 or stop by the reference desk to reserve your copy of this month's book selection.

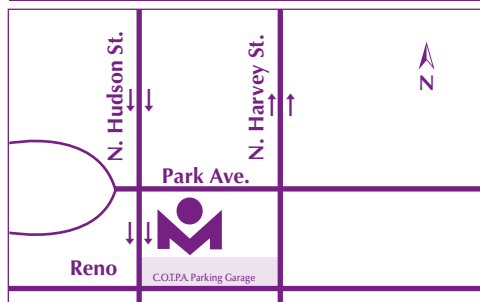
Downtown Library

300 Park Ave., OKC
(405) 231-8650

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6

**Play With Me****Jun 1 | Fri | 10-10:45a****Infants to age 4 w/adult**

Playing with your baby or child is not only important for bonding but is also an educational experience for your child. This program is intended for infants through age four with parents or guardians. Preregister by calling 231-8650, ext. 4, or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

**ESL****Jun 2,9,16,23,30 | Sat | 2-4p****Adults**

Join us at the Downtown Library for English as a Second Language classes, held every Saturday from 2pm to 4pm on the 4th Floor. Please register at 606.3879 as space is limited.

**T-Shirt Jewelry****Jun 3 | Sun | 3-4p****Teens**

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents:****Al Bostick-In the DreamTime****Jun 5 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p****All ages**

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**Computer Basics****Jun 5,12,19 | Tue | 6-7:30p****Adults**

Join us for an introductory class that will teach basic navigation and common uses for computers and software such as web browsing, Microsoft Word, Excel and basic computer security. Classes are held in the Route 66 Computer Lab.

**Wednesday Night at the Movies****Jun 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-8p****Age 13 and older**

Join us for Downtown "Wednesday Night at the Movies!" showing @ 6pm. All are welcome to attend! Call (405) 606-3879 for movie titles.

Noon Tunes**Jun 7,14,21,28 | Thur****11:30a-12:30p****All ages**

Cosponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Performing in June are:

Jun 7: *The Strigents*Jun 14: *Twinprov*Jun 21: *Kare'n Kihangov's Strings*Jun 28: *Monty Harper***Summer at the Movies****Jun 7,14,21,28 | Thur****1-3p****All ages**

Join the Downtown Library for a Family movie every Thursday during June! Seating is limited, for more information and movie titles call (405)606-3862.

**Preschool Aerobics****Jun 8 | Fri | 10-10:45a****Age 12 mos - 5 yrs with adult**

Preschool aerobics will get you moving and grooving with warm-ups, stretches, activities and a cool-down. An active story will wrap up your aerobic experience. Pre-register by calling 231-8650 ext. 4 or by visit the Children's Reference Desk.

**Second Sunday Concert****Jun 10 | Sun | 2-3p****All ages**

Anna Kinder will perform on piano and guitar.

**Gamefest****Jun 10 | Sun | 3-4p****Teens**

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**Teens****Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free****Allstars-Gettin' Funky and****Dreamin' Big****Jun 12 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p****All ages**

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**Book-N-Play Story Time****Jun 15 | Fri | 10-10:45a****Age 3-5 w/adult**

Children between the ages of three and five are getting ready to master the skills they need to become readers. Book 'N Play will include a variety of activities, fingerplays, songs and a craft that will encourage an interest in books, reading, and a love for literature. Pre-register by calling 231-8650 ext. 4, or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

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Children Reading to Dogs**Jun 16 | Sat | 3-4p****Children who read**

Come read to a dog! Children can practice and improve their reading skills by reading to specially trained dogs and their owners who act as an uncritical, appreciative audience. They love a good dog story. Borrow one of ours or bring your own. Dogs and their owners are trained and certified through Therapy Dogs International.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents:****OKC Improv-Theater of****Dreams****Jun 19 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p****All ages**

Much like dreams, there is no limit to what you can do in improvisational theater. With



METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM NEW HOURS

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NICOMA PARK:	T-TH 9:30-5:30 FR 9-5 SA 9-5
WRIGHT (OKC):	T-TH 9:30-5:30 FR 9-5 SA 9-5

(Extensions close daily for lunch from 12:30-1.)



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Pajama Tales

Jun 21 | Thur | 6:30-7p
Ages 2-5 w/parent

Join us for some sleepy-time tales! Come in your jammies and bring a favorite stuffed friend!



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

Jun 26 | Tue | 1:30-2:15p
All ages



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Parachute Play

Jun 29 | Fri | 10-10:45a
Age 2-5 yrs w/parent

Enjoy putting toys, music, games and a colorful parachute together for movement fun! Pre-register by calling 231-8650 ext. 4 or by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

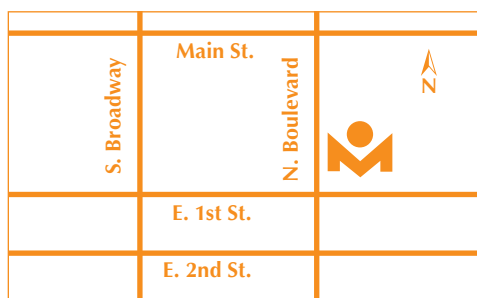


Edmond Library

10 S. Boulevard, Edmond
(405) 341-9282

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-6



Stamp Club

Jun 2,15 | Sat | 10a-Noon
4th grade and up

Are you looking for a new hobby? Join experienced stamp collectors who can guide you in this rewarding venture. To pre-register call 348-4607.

Advanced Farsi

Jun 3,10,17,24 | Sun
1:30-2:30p

Adults and teens

For those who have some familiarity with spoken and written Farsi. Supply charge is



\$30 per month, payable to the instructor. All written materials are provided by instructor.

Beginning Farsi

Jun 3,10,17,24 | Sun
2:30-3:30p

Adults and teens

For those who have no prior experience speaking or writing Farsi. Supply charge is \$30 per month, payable to the instructor. All written materials are provided by the instructor.



Total Wellness

Jun 4,11,18,25 | Mon | 10-11a
Adults

Total Wellness is a 12-week program dedicated to improving your overall state of health. The facilitators are staff members from the Oklahoma City/County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jun 5 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 8-11

Come learn about juggling! Watch Monica perform a glow-in-the-dark juggling extravaganza - then it will be your turn to give it a try! Limited to 50 children.

Chess Club For Teens

Jun 5,12,19,26 | Tue
6-7p

Teens

Free Chess Club for Teens meets Tuesday nights 6:00 to 7:00p. All skill levels are



welcome. Students can play others who are learning or have prior skills in the game. Local mom and coach provides materials and instructions.

Children Reading to Dogs
Jun 5,19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p
Children who read



Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! Dogs with their owners will be in the Library to be read to by children. The dogs particularly enjoy hearing one of the dog stories we have, but you can bring your own book. It is especially valuable in building self confidence and self-esteem for those needing an uncritical, appreciative listening audience to improve reading skills. All dogs and owners are trained and certified as dog therapy teams, and most through Therapy Dogs International

55+ Coffee Break
Jun 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 9:30-11a
Seniors

Come to the Edmond Library for a coffee break made just for you. Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be served along with light refreshments. Mingle and talk about your favorite books or activities. We will have some books on the side for you to browse through and check out. This is a come-and-go event.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big
Jun 7 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Music With Susan
Jun 8,22 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 10:40-11:10a
Ages 2-3



Join with Susan in musical activities designed especially for this age group. Classes are held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Registration for the 2nd Friday always begins on the 1st day of the month. Registration for the 4th Friday always begins on the 15th day of the month. Pre-register by calling 341-9282, ext. 4.

Music With Susan
Jun 8,22 | Fri | 10-10:30a and 11:15-11:45
Ages 4 & 5



Join with Susan in musical activities designed

especially for this age group. Classes are held on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month. Registration for the 2nd Friday begins on the 1st day of the month. Registration for the 4th Friday always begins on the 15th day of the month. Pre-register by calling 341-9282, ext. 4

Readers' Choice Book Club
Jun 9 | Sat | 10:30a-Noon
Adults

The Readers' Choice Book Club meets the second Saturday of every month at the Edmond Library. The group consists of people who enjoy reading outstanding books and discussing them. In June the group will discuss *Pictures of You* by Carolyn Leavitt. Contact the library at 341-9282 to reserve a copy.

Youth Environmentalist
Jun 9 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 5-12

Our environment is very important and needs our protection. Join Edmond's Youth Environmentalist Club for a story and craft time devoted to caring for the environment.

Edmond Library Book Bunch
Jun 9 | Sat | 2-2:30p
Seniors

Edmond's Book Bunch discusses important and memorable fiction. June's book is *11/22/63* by Stephen King. In this brilliantly conceived tour de force, Stephen King takes readers on an incredible journey into the past and the possibility of altering it. On November 22, 1963, three shots rang out in Dallas, President Kennedy died, and the world changed. What if you could change it back? Time-travel has never been so believable. Or so terrifying. Contact the library to reserve a copy.

Yu-Gi-Oh Tournament
Jun 9 | Sat | 3-4:30p
All school-aged children

Come get your Yu-Gi-Oh game on at the Edmond Library. This tournament is for those who already know how to play the game.

T-Shirt Jewelry
Jun 11 | Mon | 3-4p
Teens



Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

Critter Tales presents Night Sounds
Jun 12 | Tue | 10:30-11:15a
All ages

What does the word "nocturnal" mean? Who is that in the dark? Often at night you hear an

animal before you see it. While you're sleeping many creatures are awake and active. Go on an imaginary camping trip to find out who's up and about.

Chinese Fine Arts Show
Jun 12 | Tue | 7-8p
All ages



Tao Ling is bringing Chinese culture to you with her varied and entertaining performance. She will introduce you to a simplified form of Tai Chi; share Chinese music and song; present, in English and Chinese, her original play, *The Conceited Lion*; perform Chinese Tai Chi Fan Dances; and give a calligraphy demonstration. This promises to be an enjoyable and enlightening program for all ages. Seating is limited. Please register beginning May 14 by calling the library, 341-9282, x3 or stop by the reference desk.

Developmental Screenings
Jun 13 | Wed | 1-5p
Parents and child



Child Guidance is offering developmental and speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appt your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment call Child Guidance @ 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

Spooky Campfire Tales
Jun 13 | Wed | 7-7:30p
Ages 6-9

Come sit around the "campfire" and hear some spooky stories and songs. Nothing gory or scary, but very, very spooky! For ages 6 -11.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick-In the DreamTime
Jun 14 | Thur | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a
All ages



An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Light Up the Night: Science Museum Oklahoma
Jun 18 | Mon | 3-4p
Teens



Science in the dark has never been so illuminating! Join us as we unlock the mystery behind the intriguing glow of chemiluminescence and kindle our inner artist with a

Metropolitan Library System Presents:

STAGE COMBAT

Learn the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicking, tossing, falling and grabbing — But not for real.

Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran Tyler Woods focuses on the teamwork necessary to make theatrical fighting look real while remaining safe.

*This is a beginner's workshop for teens ages 14+.
Younger teens may observe. Sign up now. **IT'S FREE!***

Tuesday, June 5 at 7pm
Bethany Library, 3510 N. Mueller

Thursday, June 14 at 6pm
Choctaw Library, 2525 Muzzy St.

Tuesday, June 26 at 7:30pm
Edmond Library, 10 S. Boulevard

Wednesday, June 27 at 7pm
Belle Isle Library, 5501 N. Villa

Thursday, July 5 at 7pm
The Village Library, 10307 N. Penn

Wednesday, July 11 at 10:30am
Southern Oaks Library, 2914 SW 59th

Monday, July 16 at 7pm
Midwest City Library, 8143 E Reno

Thursday, July 19 at 7pm
Northwest Library, 5600 NW 122nd

It's part of OWN THE NIGHT,
2012 Teen Summer Reading.



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colorful palette of light. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register

Chasing Fireflies

Jun 19 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6-11

Join the Science Museum of Oklahoma on this hands-on adventure to discover how fireflies live and glow. Investigate why their blinking lights are slowly disappearing from our world and see how you can help. Make an LED firefly of your own and use it to paint the night sky. Sign-up begins May 23rd. Call 341-9282 to register. Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma

Busy Mom's Guide to a Happy, Organized Home

Jun 19 | Tue | 6:30-8p

Adults

Amber Austin, a certified Family Manager Coach and member of the National Association of Professional Organizers, will be here to give you the tools to manage your busy family. She will share with you many EASY-to-apply ideas to help you create a home that your family can feel good about, reduce stress by staying organized, catch up and keep up with housework, and operate as a family team... leaving more time for FUN! Don't miss out on a chance to win 3 FREE hours of professional organizing! Seating is limited. Please call the library at 341-9282 to register beginning May 21st.



Toileting Triumph

Jun 20 | Wed | 3-30-5p

10-10:30a

Ages 3-5

With the development of new language skills, motor skills, attitude and activity level come many challenges. Toileting doesn't have to be one of those challenges. We'll talk about signs of readiness, why this learning experience can be so frustrating, ideas for working with parents through this stage and much more. Come discuss ways to make this exciting milestone more fun and rewarding for everyone. Facilitator: Robyn Sears MS, CCPS, CFLE. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



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All ages

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Crafting is a Hoot

Jun 26 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 6-8

Whether you count sheep to sleep, listen to the sounds of night creatures, or gaze into the starlit heavens you will enjoy making crafts with a night time theme. Space is limited. Call 341-9282 to register.



Teens

Stage Combat

Jun 26 | Tue | 7:30-8:30p

Ages 14-19

A beginner's workshop that covers the basics of hand-to-hand grappling, punching, kicks, throws, falls and grabs. The focus will be on the teamwork and safety necessary for these techniques and practice will be under the supervision of Reduxion Theatre Company's Artistic Director and Stage Combat veteran, Tyler Woods. For teens ages 14+ only. Younger teens may observe. Pre-register.

Pajama Campfire Story Time

Jun 27 | Wed | 7-7:30p

Ages 3-5

Put on your favorite pajamas, grab your teddy and head out to the library for a special evening of stories told around the "campfire".



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Chasing James - Rhythmic Rhymes

Jun 28 | Tue | 9:30-10:15a and 10:30-11:15a

All ages

Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Steampunk Tea

Jun 30 | Sat | 1-3p

Teens and adults

This presentation is an overview of historical and modern games, with a display of books relating to historical games, game manuals for modern steampunk games, with historical boardgames as well as card games. Role Playing games such as Space 1889, Wild Weird West, Victoriana, Airship Pirates, and Iron Kingdom, and Live Action Role Playing such as Xadune, Steam & Cinders, and Rise of Aester will be discussed and why they are popular (or not - some are not successful). The presentation includes learning to play at least one Victorian card game and one Parlour Game, with the board games being available for play as well afterwards. These and other games will be available to play at OctopodiCon, in the Mysterium.



Harrah Library

1930 N. Church Ave., Harrah
(405) 454-2001

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9:30-6
Fri: 9-5

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 8 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Held at Harrah City Hall, 19625 NE 23rd. An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Children Reading to Dogs

Jun 9 | Sat | 9a-Noon

Kindergarten to 6th grade

Come share a story with Duke and Chewbacca, our 2 local therapy dogs. Children practice their reading skills by reading to these two lovable dogs. For more info call 454-2001.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big

Jun 15 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Held at Harrah City Hall, 19625 NE 23rd. Ever dreamt of being a rock star? Well we have the show for you! This two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Neighborhood Arts Presents:

OKC Improv-Theater of

Dreams

Jun 22 | Fri

10:30-11:15a

All ages

Held at Harrah City Hall, 19625 NE 23rd.



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Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

Jun 29 | Fri
10:30-11:15a

All ages

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Jones Library

111 E. Main St., Jones
(405) 399-5471

HOURS

Tue & Thur: 9:30-5:30 Sat: 1-5
Mon Wed Fri & Sun: Closed



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big

Jun 7 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages

Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta. Ever dreamt of being a rock star? Well we have the show for you! This two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 14 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages

Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W.



Atlanta. An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

Jun 21 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages

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Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Chasing James - Rhythmic Rhymes

Jun 28 | Thur | 2-2:45p

All ages

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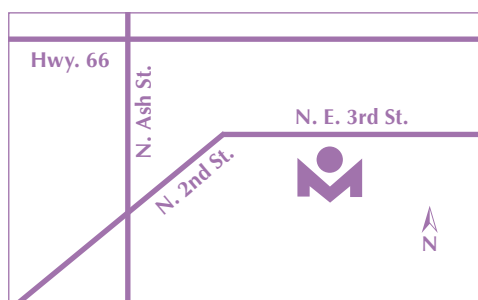


Luther Library

310 N.E. 3rd, Luther
(405) 277-9967

HOURS

Mon - Thur: 9:30-6 Fri & Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed



Coffee Break

Jun 4 | Mon | 9:30-11a

Adults

Come by for a cup of coffee, a snack and take a look at our latest books on the shelf. We know you will find something you will want to take home with you.

Oklahoma County Triad: Keeping Our Citizens Safe

Jun 4 | Mon | 11a-Noon

Adults

Keeping Our Citizens Safe. Don't be a victim. Come and learn what is happening in our communities and how to be safe in our homes. TRIAD gives you the opportunity to get the latest crime-prevention information direct from your local law enforcement.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big

Jun 5 | Tue | 2-2:45p

All ages

Held at Luther High School, 320 SE 2nd street. Ever dreamt of being a rock star? Well we have the show for you! This two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 12 | Tue | 2-2:45p

All ages

Held at Luther High School, 320 SE 2nd street. An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Farmer's Tea

Jun 13 | Wed | 2-4p

Adults

Come by, have a glass of tea and take a look at the latest books on the shelves.

Quilting

Jun 18 | Mon | 10a-4p

Adults

Bring your material and sewing machine and enjoy a day of quilting. If you don't know how to quilt, we will teach you.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically Speaking- Who Ate The Old Woman's Stew?

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All ages

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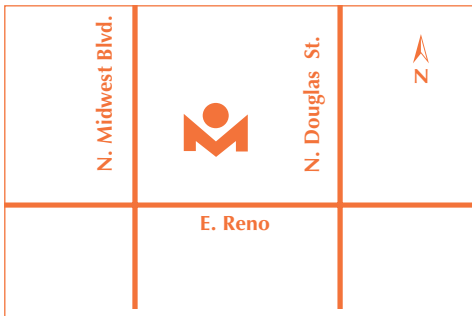
**Midwest City Library**

8143 E. Reno, Midwest City
(405) 732-4828

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
Sun: 1-6

**Summer at the Library Kick-Off****Jun 1 | Fri | Noon - 1p****All ages**

The Midwest City Library will host a 2012 Summer Reading Kick-Off. Customers from birth to 12th grade are encouraged to register for Summer Reading. After registering, visit the Summer Reading Kick-Off table, in the lobby, for cool prizes and fun stuff!

Knitting With Lauren G**Jun 2,9,16 | Sat | 1-2:30p****Teens**

This summer the Midwest City Library will offer teens the opportunity to create art through knitting. During this nine week class (Saturday's beginning June 2 - July 28) taught by Norman's own Lauren Belteau Gerfen, young adults will improve their knitting skills or learn this wonderful form of art. Class size is limited and supplies are provided by the library. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

**Teens****Exhibit - Threads of Life: An Exhibit
of Hand Weaving****Jun 4-30 | Library Hours****All ages**

Throughout the month of June, the Midwest

City Library will exhibit the textile work of weaving students from the City Arts Center. Ranging from beginners to experts, the weavers will explore facets of weaving on many levels and in a variety of styles. The exhibit is in the Lobby Gallery, is free and open to the public all library hours.

Soldier Creek Quilting Group**Jun 4 | Mon | 9a-2p****All ages**

Perpetuate art forms and inspire others in quilting. Members of Soldier Creek Quilting Group invite you to attend every Monday at the Midwest City Library from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. No experience necessary, just a willingness to create art. Registration is not required. Cosponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting

Preschool Storytime**Jun 4,11,18 | Mon****10-10:30a****Ages 2-5 w/parent**

Join us for story time! There will be songs, fingerplays, rhymes, and special stories. Come and join the fun! Older and younger siblings are welcome. All children should be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, so be sure to reserve a spot by calling 732-4828 or visiting the Information Desk.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free****Allstars-Gettin' Funky and****Dreamin' Big****Jun 4 | Mon | 7-7:45p****All ages**

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**Knit Wit****Jun 5 | Tue | 10a-Noon****Adults**

Learn to knit or crochet or strengthen your craft. Crochet class meets every first Tuesday of the month; knitting class meets every third Tuesday. Class is free and all supplies provided by the library. No registration required.

Juggling in the Dark**Jun 5 | Tue | 3-4p****Ages 7 and older**

Come learn about juggling! Watch Monica perform a glow-in-the-dark juggling extravaganza - then it will be your turn to give it a try! Limited to 50 children. To register visit the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Chess Club at the Midwest City Library**Jun 6 | Wed | 4:30p-5:30p****All ages**

The Midwest City Library offers chess players the opportunity to play every first Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Thursday Morning Movies**Jun 7 | Thur | 10a-Noon****All ages**

Join us for a different movie every week. All movies are rated G or PG. Ask at the Information Desk to find out this week's movie. Space is limited so show up early.

I Think I'll Be a Crazy Inventor**Jun 8 | Fri | 3-4p****All ages**

A tiny motor? Check. A couple of leads? Check.

A power source? Check. A bit of glue? Check. Put them together and what do you get? A fiendishly clever contraption that jitters and flits across the floor. Add your own special features and you've created a one-of-a-kind bot that moves like it's alive. Cosponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

4th Annual Youth Summer Camp**Jun 9 | Sat | 10a-2p****All ages**

Come to the Midwest City Library to experience the wonderful world of reptiles and amphibians. In additions to exhibits, several classes will be available. For more information please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:**Al Bostick-In the DreamTime****Jun 11 | Mon | 7-7:45p****All ages**

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the Information Desk to sign up. Cosponsor: Creatures & Kids and TDI.

Video Games Night for Teens

Jun 12 | Tue | 7-8:30p

Teens

Wii, Kinect, Game Cube and more! Come to the Midwest City Library for a night of video gaming and fun!



Teens

T-Shirt Jewelry

Jun 13 | Wed | 2-3p

Teens

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Teens

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All ages

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Non-Fiction Book Club

Jun 14 | Thur | 7-8p

Adults

Come join us for the Midwest City Nonfiction Reader's Book Club where we will read and

discuss an array of titles of varying subject matter. U.S. & world history, science and technology, global exploration and adventure as well as political and social issue titles will be contenders for discussion. Visit the information desk to receive a copy of this month's book. Hope to see you there!

Lights Out, Nights Out!

Jun 15 | Fri | 3-3:45p

All ages

As we settle down for the night, some animals are just waking up. Explore how these creatures are well suited for night life and meet a nocturnal animal. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City Zoo.

Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course

Jun 16 | Sat | 9a-4p

Adults

All licensed drivers are invited to participate in a certified AAA instructed class. A material fee of \$30.00 applies; AAA members will receive a discount. Please call 1-800-222-2582 to register.

Yadah-Yadah Ready to Read Book Club

Jun 16 | Sat | 11a-Noon

Teens

Do you like to read books that inspire and challenge you to think? Or, do you enjoy good conversation/discussing ideas about different book topics? Come to the Midwest City Library and express your thoughts and be



Teens

heard at the Yadah Yadah book club for teens. To attend please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Cosponsor: Yadah Yadah Ready to Read.

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Jun 18 | Mon | 7-7:45p

All ages



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Readers' Society Book Club

Jun 19 | Tue | 10-11:30a

Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, come to the Midwest City Library the third Tuesday of each month for our book club. New members are always welcome. Pick up your copy of our current book at the Information Desk, or call 732-4828.

Martin Nature Park

Jun 20 | Wed | 3-3:45p

All ages

Join us for a fun filled afternoon meeting some native Oklahoma animals and learning what to do if you ever meet one in the wild.

Cosponsor: Martin Nature Center

Paranormal Book Club with Author Visit
Jun 21 | Thur | 7-8p
Adults and Teens

Join us for a visit from local horror author Steven Wedel. He'll talk about the creative process, and how it works when you are collaborating with another author, which he did in his most recent book, *After Obsession*, a YA novel co-written with Carrie Jones. No registration required.

Toddler Aerobics
Jun 25 | Mon | 10-10:30a
Ages 2-5 w/parent



Preschoolers may join in the aerobics class that features lessons & exercises designed to develop fine & gross motor skills. Parents/caregivers will participate with their child. Registration is required and begins one week before the scheduled program. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Chasing James -
Rhythmic Rhymes
Jun 25 | Mon | 7-7:45p
All ages



Join Lisa & Laura's musical adventure. Learn to rhyme, play your favorite instruments, and dance to the rhythms! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Making Leather Masks
with Patrick Riley
Jun 28 | Thur | 2-4p
Teens



Create your special leather mask with master sculptor Patrick Riley. Participants will learn the art of making a mask and taking their finished product home. All supplies provided. Space is limited. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Joy of Play
Jun 30 | Sat | 2-3p
Adults

The importance of play continues throughout the life cycle. As children we learn about passion and compassion, joy and restraint and communication all of which prepare us to be cooperative and productive members of society. Play continues to be important by helping to maintain flexibility in the mind and body and promotes a higher quality of life as we age. This lecture explains the fundamental importance of play with children and adults for healthy living. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Cosponsor: School of Metaphysics.

Yu-Gi-Oh Game Tournament
Jun 30 | Sat | 2-4p
Ages 10-16



Come and get your Yu-gi-oh game on every last Saturday of the month. No experience necessary.

Weaving With Donna Hilton
Jun 30 | Sat | 3-5p
Adults

Learn to weave with Donna Hilton at theMidwest City Library. Participants learn the beauty of weaving and will create a wonderful item. Space is limited and registration is required. All supplies provided. To attend, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Nicoma Park Library

2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park
 (405) 769-9452

HOURS

Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 M & Sun: Closed
 Fri & Sat: 9-5



Night Magic with
Steve Crawford
Jun 1 | Fri
10:30a-Noon



All ages

Come join the fun and be amazed as Magician Steve Crawford presents "Night Magic". For more information call 769-9452.

Basic Crochet
Jun 5 | Tue | 10a-Noon
Adults

Ladies of all ages are invited to learn basic crochet stitches. Come join the fun. For more information please call 769-9452.

Children Reading to Dogs
Jun 7,21 | Thur | 4-4:45p
Ages 4 and older



Children improve their reading skills every first and third Thursday of the month from 4:00-4:45pm. D'leo and his owner are trained and certified with Therapy Dogs International. Call 769-9452 for more information.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free
Allstars-Gettin' Funky and
Dreamin' Big

Jun 8 | Fri | 10:30-11:15a
All ages



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Basic Knitting Class
Jun 14,28 | Thur | 1-3p
Adults

Learn basic knitting from 1:00 - 3:00 pm every second and fourth Thursday. Come join us for fun! For more information please call 769-9452.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:
Al Bostick-In the DreamTime
Jun 15 | Fri
10:30-11:15a



All ages

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Ladies Crafters
Jun 19 | Tue | 10a-Noon
All ages

Ladies of all ages create crafts suitable for the season every third Tuesday of the month. come for fun! Call 769-9452 for more information.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Rhythmically
Speaking- Who Ate The Old
Woman's Stew?

Jun 22 | Fri
10:30-11:15a



All ages

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Chasing James -
Rhythmic Rhymes

Jun 29 | Fri
10:30-11:15a



All ages

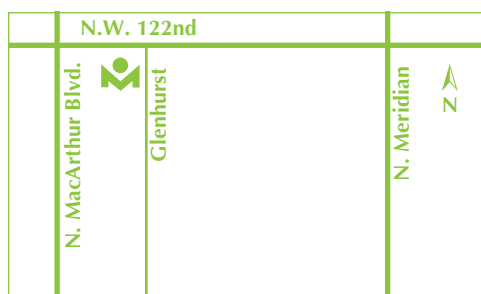
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Northwest Library

5600 NW 122nd
(405) 606-3561

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9 Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6 Sun: 1-5



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick-In the DreamTime

Jun 4 | Mon

10:30-11:15a

All ages

An Aborigine Tale: At a time when the world was between fantasy and reality....It was called In The DreamTime... Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Circle of Parents: Parental Support Group

Jun 7,14,21,28 | Thur

10a-Noon

Adults

Sharing Ideas. Sharing Support. A network of parent-led, self-help groups where parents and caregivers can share ideas, celebrate successes and address the challenges surrounding parenting. Anyone in a parenting role is welcome. Facilitated by a Child Development Specialist from Child Guidance, OKC-County Health Department. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big

Jun 11 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a

All ages

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is that in the dark? Often at night you hear an animal before you see it. While you're sleeping many creatures are awake and active. Go on an imaginary camping trip to find out who's up and about.

Glow-in-the-Dark Juggling

Jun 14 | Thur | 3-4p

Teens

All the cool people are doing it. Juggling has had a revival in the last 40 years as a sport and an art form. It increases your coordination, confidence, and problem-solving skills. Come learn the basics from an expert and you'll be showing off to your friends in no time! Pre-register.



City Arts Center Presents: Your Life in History

Jun 16 | Sat | 9:30a-12:30p

Adults

Everyone has a story to tell. That's why the contemporary memoir has become such a popular phenomenon. In this workshop, you will learn how to focus your life stories, give them purpose and apply such craft elements as character, plot, dialogue and setting, especially pertaining to Oklahoma history. Whether you attend one or all twelve sessions, this workshop will show you how to best tell the stories of your life. Pre-registration required. Class limit is 12. Cosponsor: City Arts Center.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: OKC Improv-Theater of Dreams

Jun 18 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a

All ages

Much like dreams, there is no limit to what you can do in improvisational theater. With imagination and some basic skills you can be anyone, go anywhere, and do anything. Watch OKC Improv create exciting stories from audience suggestions. Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



T-Shirt Jewelry

Jun 21 | Thur | 3-4p

Teens

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Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Jun 21 | Thur | 3:30-5p

The Northwest Library
5600 NW 122nd
Oklahoma City, OK 73142
405.606.3561

The public is welcome to attend.



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Jun 25 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a

All ages

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Music Play With Miss Ginger

Jun 26 | Tue | 1-2p

Early childhood

Enjoy songs and musical games with Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered at the NW Library.



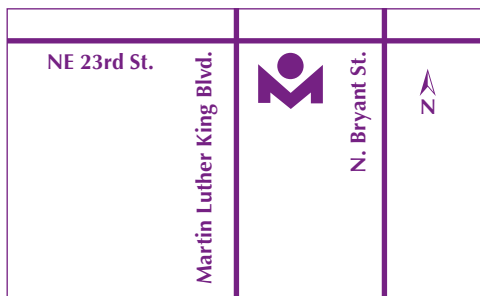
Child Development Screenings

Jun 28 | Thur | 9-11a

Early childhood

Developmental screenings include the assessment of your young child's skills and behavior. It is a very general look at how your child is developing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be discussed and information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings include a small fee. To schedule your appointment, please call Child Guidance, Oklahoma City-County Health Department at 425-4412. Cosponsor: OCCHD.



Ralph Ellison Library2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC
(405) 424-1437**HOURS**Mon-Thur: 9-8
Fri: 9-6Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed**First Monday Gamefest****Jun 4 | Mon | 4-5:30p****Tweens and teens**

Gamfest rocks! So, Ralph Ellison Library has decided to make them happen every month. Join the First Monday Gamefest and get ready to jam out to Guitarhero, dance the night away on our XBOX Kinect, make some sweet touchdowns on Madden 11, and race some cars on Mario Kart! No sign up required.

**Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin' Funky and Dreamin' Big****Jun 5 | Tue | 10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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**Board Games Tuesdays****Jun 5,12,19,26 | Tue | 4:30-5:30p****All ages**

From the classics to the latest creations, our board games are the source of inter-generational fun! Select from our collection, or bring your own.

Block Party**Jun 7 | Thur | 5:30-7p****Age 1 and older**

Calling all builders, architects, artists, and designers! Join kids of all ages for a fun block building party and get creative with architectural blocks, baby blocks, Legos, Lincoln Logs, Mega Bloks, and more. Sure, blocks are a blast, but did you know they also enhance kids' visual-spatial, fine motor,



problem-solving, math, language, and social skills? Books about building and construction will be available for creative inspiration and to check out and enjoy at home.

Revisiting History: The 91st Anniversary of the 1921 Tulsa Race Riots**Jun 9 | Sat | 1-5p****Adults**

The Tulsa Race Riots, a large-scale racially-motivated conflict between the white and black communities of Tulsa, Oklahoma, took place in the wealthiest African-American community in the United States. This program will feature a documentary screening, reception, and live music by Reality and the New Era (www.realityandthenewera.com). There will also be giveaways and food provided by local restaurants. Presented by the Ralph Ellison Library and Gregory Jerome.

Live! @ the Library - The Touch KRMP 1140 Open-Mic Talk Show**Jun 11-15 | Mon-Fri | 9-11a****All ages**

The Open-Mic Talk Show is broadcasting live from Ralph Ellison each weekday morning during the week leading up to Juneteenth. You won't want to miss seeing and hearing in person popular radio personalities Fred Elkins, Launa West, and Hank Coleman conduct their talk show and take calls from listeners. Runs June 11-15. Cosponsor: Perry Publishing & Broadcasting.

LaQuincey Reed: Local Sculptor**Jun 11 | Mon | 6-8p****Adults**

As a lead up to Juneteenth, Ralph Ellison is proud to host local artist, LaQuincey Reed, who will give a presentation as well as showcase some of his work at the library. To discover more about LaQuincey Reed and his sculpture, visit his website at <http://www.laquincey.com/index.html>

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Al Bostick-In the DreamTime**Jun 12 | Tue****10:30-11:15a****All ages**

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**Community Forum****Jun 12 | Tue | 6-8p****Adults**

Contribute to the conversation. Join com-

munity leaders and educators for a discussion on the political, social, and educational challenges of our day. During this great event, you will be given the opportunity to engage those policy makers who can make a difference.

Glow Factor**Jun 14 | Thur | 1-3p****Ages 4-18**

Ready, set, glow! Ralph Ellison is holding a night inspired extravaganza with lots of fun, hands on glow in the dark activities celebrating this year's summer reading themes: Dream Big—Read and Own the Night. You won't want to miss it!

Juneteenth Local Author Book Signing**Jun 14 | Thur | 5-7:30p****Adults**

Come join us at the Ralph Ellison Library for our annual Juneteenth local author book signing. Authors from the Northeast Oklahoma City community will be selling, signing and talking about their works. From Non-Fiction, Fiction and Children's books, there is something to interest everyone.

Juneteenth**Jun 16 | Sat | 10a-5p****All ages**

Location: Washington Park

Juneteenth is heading down to Washington Park this year, so be sure to join us in the festivities! With music, food, speeches, games, children's activities, and much more, there will be something for everyone to enjoy. Cosponsor: Perry Publishing and Broadcasting.

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**Bey Blade Tournament****Jun 19 | Tue | 4:30-6p****Age 10-18**

Ralph Ellison Library is hosting our 1st Bey Blade Tournament! Bring your own bey blade if you have one and get ready to battle! Sign up is required. Call 424-1437 or visit the library.

Critter Tales presents Night Sounds

Jun 23 | Sat | 3-3:45p

All ages

What does the word “nocturnal” mean? Who is that in the dark? Often at night you hear an animal before you see it. While you’re sleeping many creatures are awake and active. Go on an imaginary camping trip to find out who’s up and about.

African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners

Jun 25 | Mon | 11:30a-12:30p

All ages

The African American Community Diabetes Prevention Partners are comprised of representatives from community agencies, businesses, government institutions, faith-based communities, as well as vested concerned citizens. By advocating for positive health outcomes within the African American Family and by increasing public awareness of Community Services/Resources, the Partners continue to effectively participate in multiple community sponsored events. Partners invite you to join the regularly scheduled monthly meeting on the last Monday of each month. Cosponsor: Oklahoma City/County Health Department.

S.O.U.P.-Open Mic Poetry Night

Jun 25 | Mon | 6:30-8p

All ages

S.O.U.P. Society of Urban Poets provides an opportunity for budding poets to share their work with an audience full of supporters. Just show up ready to read. Cosponsor: Society of Urban Poets.

Neighborhood Arts Presents:

Chasing James - Rhythmic Rhymes

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All ages

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Shinigami Anime Club

Jun 26 | Tue | 4-6p

Tweens and teens

If you love to read manga, watch anime, and enjoy gaming, then the Ralph Ellison Anime Club is just for you! It meets from 5-6 on the 4th Tuesday of every month and is open for tweens and teens. Open for ages 11 and up due to content.



Vampire 101: Science Museum Oklahoma

Jun 28 | Thur | 2-3p

Teens

Vampires are the rock stars of today’s young adult fiction. In this hands-on exploration, we’ll investigate the science behind vampire lore and use technology to experience first-hand the strengths and weaknesses of the modern-day vampire. Presented by the staff of Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.



Southern Oaks Library

6900 S. Walker, OKC
(405) 631-4468

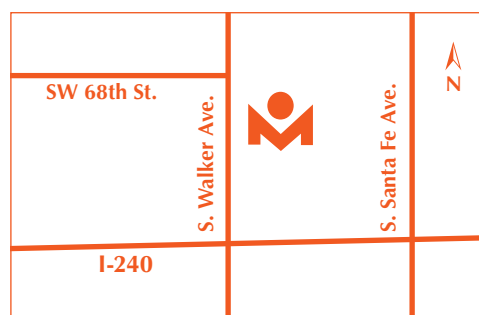
HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: 1-6



The Southern Oaks Library is temporarily located at 2914 S.W. 59th Street while the S. Walker library is being remodeled. The remodel will last approximately one year.

Friday: Films, Family & Fun

Jun 1,8,15,22,29 | Fri | 9a-6p

All ages

Looking for fun on a Friday night! Come to the library every Friday to check out our movie collection. Free popcorn & candy for every five items checked out. Fun for the entire family & it’s free! Please limit one gift per family.

Summer at the Library Orientation

Jun 1 | Fri | 10:30-11a and 11:30a-Noon

Jun 5 | Tue | 6:30-6:50p and 7-7:20p

For parents of kids, babies and teens

Come learn about our new and improved summer reading program. This year the program works a little differently, so come learn about the new “Summer Reading Game” and how your kids can participate. We will have a special babies & tots program this year in addition to our school age children and teen program.

Neighborhood Arts Presents: Sugar Free Allstars-Gettin’ Funky and Dreamin’ Big

Jun 4 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a

All ages

Held at OCCC Family & Community Ed. Ctr., 6500 S. Land Ave. Ever dreamt of being a rock star? Well we have the show for you! This two-piece band puts on a concert full of fun and funky tunes with so much interaction that EVERYONE gets to be part of the act! Cosponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.



Anything Can Happen Day

Jun 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 10:30a-Noon

For families, kids, teens

Have some fun and learn about our new improved summer reading challenge. This year you can play the summer reading game. Come sign up and you will get a gameboard to keep track of your reading. You’ll learn all about this year’s summer reading game and summer events for kids & teens. Sidewalk chalk, crafts, & more--join the fun!

Summer at the Library Kick-off

Jun 6 | Wed | 10:30a-Noon

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Southern Oaks Book Club

Jun 12 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p

Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books come to the Southern Oaks Book Club the second Tuesday of each month. Call 631-4468 to reserve your copy of the book selection or stop by the reference desk. *Book discussion at Trinity Lutheran Church, 5701 South May Ave.

Owl Craft for Children**Jun 12 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p****Ages 5-9**

Whooh...Whooh. Do you give a hoot? If you love nocturnal creatures, you won't want to miss this fun craft. Come make a really cute owl craft with Ms. Cheryl and Kiona. Sign-up is required. Spaces are limited, so please call 631-4468 or sign up at the Information Desk.

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Children Reading to Dogs**Jun 16 | Sat | 10-11a****Jun 26 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p****For kids who can read**

A Dog in the Library? That's right, come read to a loveable dog and their owner! By sitting down next to a dog and reading to the dog, all threats of being judged are put aside. Kids will improve literacy skills in a relaxed environment that allows them to focus on reading. Reading improves because the child is practicing the skill of reading, building self-esteem, and associating reading with something pleasant. All of our dog teams are trained through HALO or Therapy Dogs International. Pre-registration is required. Please call 631-4468 to sign up.

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**Nocturnal Animals:****Science Museum Oklahoma****Jun 27 | Wed****10:30-11:30a****Kids and Teens**

Learn about animals that come out when the sun goes down. Presented by staff from Science Museum Oklahoma. Pre-register.

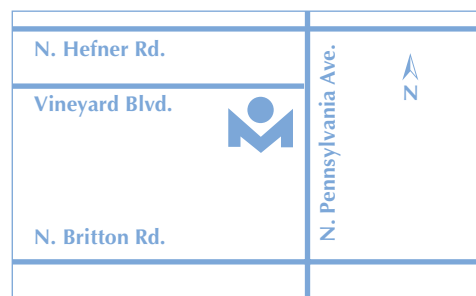
**The Village Library**

10307 N. Pennsylvania Ave., The Village
(405) 755-0710

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9
Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5
Sun: Closed

**Dream Boxes****Jun 6 | Wed | 2-3p****Teens**

Make your own 3D dream box! Explore Surrealist images through collage and assemblage as a local artist helps you create a piece of art inspired by your dreams. Supplies provided. Pre-register.

**Children Reading to Dogs****Jun 6,13,20,27 | Wed | 6-7p****Jun 7,14,21,28 | Thur****3:30-4:30p****Age 6 and older**

Come and read to a dog! Readers can come to practice and improve their reading skills. The dogs with their owners act as an uncritical, appreciative audience with excellent listening skills! The dogs and their owners are certified therapy teams. Bring your own book or borrow one from us!

**Neighborhood Arts Presents:****Al Bostick-In the DreamTime****Jun 7 | Thur | 2-2:45p****All ages**

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**Storytime****Jun 12,19 | Tue****10-10:30a****Ages 2-5 w/parent**

Come and join us for stories, songs, and crafts related to our summer reading theme: Dream Big, Read! Please call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

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**Intro to Excel****Jun 16 | Sat | 10-11:30a****Adults**

Free computer class for adults! Presents an overview of the Excel window, workbooks and spreadsheets, and using basic formulas. Designed for beginners. Come in or call to sign up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.

**Book Discussion Group****Jun 18 | Mon | 3-4p****All ages**

We always have a lot to say at the Village book discussion group. Join us each 3rd Monday at 3pm to discuss our latest pick. This month's title can be picked up at the information desk.

Child Development Screening**Jun 19 | Tue | 1-5p****Birth - 5 yrs w/parent**

Child Guidance is offering developmental and



speech/language screenings @ the libraries once again! A developmental screening is a very general look at how children are doing compared to other children the same age. At a screening appointment, your child's developmental progress will be assessed. Any questions or concerns you may have about your child's development or behavior will be discussed. Information about upcoming stages and home activities will be given. Screenings will include a small fee. To schedule your screening appointment, please call OCCHD, Child Guidance @ 425-4412.

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Knitty Committee

Jun 23 | Sat | 10a-Noon
All ages

Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday at 10am. Bring your yarn and join the fun! The recommended yarn for beginners is "variegated worsted weight" and size 7 or 8 needle.

Gamefest

Jun 26 | Tue | 2-4p
Teens



Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, Exotics, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

The Night Shift

Jun 27 | Wed | 1-2p
Ages 5-12

Spend a little time in the moonlight and explore the incredible senses and unique survival adaptations of nocturnal animals. Our live animal ambassadors and hands-on activities will captivate, enlighten and bring you closer to nature's dark side. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma.

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Warr Acres Library

5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres
(405) 721-2616

HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9-9	Sat: 9-5
Fri: 9-6	Sun: 1-6



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Jun 6 | Wed | 2-2:45p
All ages



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Hands-On Fun: Paper Robots

Jun 7 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 6-11

Decorate paper robots to take home. Space is limited. Sign up begins 2 weeks in advance.

Child Guidance Screenings

Jun 8 | Fri | 9a-Noon
Birth thru age 5w/parent



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Warr Acres Book Club

Jun 11 | Mon | 11a-Noon
Adults

We will discuss *Scones and Bones: Tea Shop Mystery #12* by Laura Childs. Readers will enjoy the Charleston, South Carolina setting, the particulars on running a tea shop that are woven through the story, the pirate lore, and the recipes at the end of the story. Call 721-2616 for more information.

Story Time for 2-and-3-Year-Olds

Jun 12,26 | Tue | 10-10:30a
Ages 2 1/2 - 3



Young children will enjoy story time with Miss Alma and her puppets followed by fun crafts to take home. Older and younger siblings are welcome. Please preregister.

Story Time for 4-and-5-Year-Olds

Jun 12,26 | Tue | 11-11:15a
Ages 4 - 5



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Play Time for Babies and Tots

Jun 13,20,27 | Wed
9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a
Ages 8-30 months w/adult



Play promotes healthy development and learning, so bring your youngster to our library for 45 minutes of toys, lap games with Miss Alma and her puppets. (Siblings are welcome) Preregister at 721-2616.

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All ages



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Hands-On Fun: Optical Illusions

Jun 14 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a
Ages 6-11

Trick your eyes with fun crafts to take home and show family and friends. Space is limited. Sign up begins 2 weeks in advance.

T-Shirt Jewelry**Jun 14 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p**
Teens**Teens**

Turn those raggedy old t-shirts into your own necklaces, scarves, and bracelets. Learn to cut, stretch and assemble t-shirts into one-of-a-kind pieces of jewelry and wearable art. Bring your own old t-shirt if you can! Supplies will be provided. Pre-register.

Pajama Story Time**Jun 19 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p**
Ages 2 1/2 - 5

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Ages 6-11

Make tiny cars and take them home to display or race on the kitchen floor. Space is limited. Sign up begins 2 weeks in advance.

Pizza Party**Jun 21 | Thur | 6:30-8p**
Ages 12-17**Teens**

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Lego Club @ Your Library**Jun 28 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a**
Ages 6-11

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Young LEGO builders are invited to build with us. LEGO bricks are provided. Bring your team spirit. Sign up at the Information Desk.

Mandala**Jun 28 | Thur | 6:30-8p**
Teens**Teens**

Mandala: Shades of light and dark. Mandala is a Sanskrit word that means circle. It is an Asian Indian type of artistic expression that includes many traditions. Bharthi Srinivasan will show how to create this beautiful artwork.

Wright Library2101 Exchange, OKC
(405) 235-5035**HOURS**Tue-Thur: 9:30-5:30 Mon & Sun: Closed
Fri & Sat: 9-5

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	Exchange Ave.		
	S.W. 15th St.		

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Off the Beaten Path

... Discovering New Literary Treasures

Getting tired of a constant diet of best sellers and book club hype? Want to take a look at what librarians enjoy? Here are two favorite books as selected by MLS staff.

Hogan, David J. *Three Stooges FAQ: Everything Left to Know About the Eye-Poking, Face-Slapping, Head-Thumping Geniuses*. 791.430922?t531h/BIOGRAPHY

When was the last time you saw the word “geniuses” and the phrase “Three Stooges” in the same place? Yeah, “genius” may be a little strong, even for fans of the anarchic comedy trio, especially when their work is viewed from the vantage point of mainstream comedy. But others see them, and other nut acts that rose from the ranks of vaudeville or burlesque, as precursors of Absurdism. However you roll, there’s a lot to be learned here.

Sacks, Mike. *And Here’s the Kicker: Conversations With 21 Top Humor Writers on Their Craft*.

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Personally, I don’t think that you can learn how to write comedy from a book—well, maybe *Anna Karenina*, depending on what you think is funny. I suspect that you either see the world with a certain slant or you don’t. One reviewer wrote about this book of interviews: “Sacks finds a number of common denominators, like depression, self-doubt, raging insecurity, a predilection toward obsessive-compulsive disorder, and a borderline pathological need to entertain.” Are you laughing yet?



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BELLE ISLE 5501 N. Villa, OKC, 843-9601	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
BETHANY 3510 N. Mueller, Bethany, 789-8363	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CAPITOL HILL 334 S.W. 26th, OKC, 634-6308	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
CHOCTAW 2525 Muzzy Street, Choctaw, 390-8418	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DEL CITY 4509 S.E. 15th, Del City, 672-1377	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
DOWNTOWN 300 Park Ave., OKC, 231-8650	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
EDMOND 10 S. Boulevard, Edmond, 341-9282	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
MIDWEST CITY 8143 E. Reno, MWC, 732-4828	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
NORTHWEST 5600 NW 122nd, OKC, 606-3561	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
RALPH ELLISON 2000 N.E. 23rd, OKC, 424-1437	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
SOUTHERN OAKS** 631-4468	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
THE VILLAGE 10307 N. Pennsylvania Avenue, The Village, 755-0710	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6
WARR ACRES 5901 N.W. 63rd, Warr Acres, 721-2616	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-9	9-6	9-5	1-6

**Southern Oaks has been relocated to a temporary location at 2914 S.W. 59th due to renovations at the current location.

MLS EXTENSION LIBRARIES*

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*HARRAH 1930 N. Church Avenue, Harrah, 454-2001	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*JONES 111 E. Main, Jones, 399-5471	—	9:30-5	—	9:30-5	—	9-5	—
*LUTHER 310 N.E. 3rd, Luther, 277-9967	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9:30-6	9-5	9-5	—
*NICOMA PARK 2240 Overholser, Nicoma Park, 769-9452	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—
*WRIGHT 2101 Exchange, OKC, 235-5035	—	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9:30-5:30	9-5	9-5	—

*Extensions close daily for lunch from 12:30-1 p.m.