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What is it about the month of July that makes people want to celebrate independence? Of course, July 4 is Independence Day in the U.S.A, but July is also the month of independence days in Somalia, Balarus, Venezuela Algeria, Argentina, the Bahamas, Colombia, Belgium, Maldives, Peru, and Vanuatu. The French get aboard with Bastille Day on July 14, and July 22 is even Foundation Day in Cleveland.

You're always free to roam the world by taking advantage of the resources of your neighborhood MLS library. Our printed materials, databases, and media can take you anywhere you need to go. You can even use our new Mango Languages database to learn a new language before you ship out. See the article on Mango Languages in this issue.

And so you won't have to look it up, Vanuatu is an island nation in the South Pacific, about 1,000 miles east of Australia, but I don't think even Mango can help with this one. When it comes to learning Vanuatusian, you're on your own.



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For several weeks this spring, the world has watched as the uncapped BP oil well in the Gulf of Mexico ran wild and wreaked ecological havoc on nearby shorelines. Eighty years ago, a well in Oklahoma City captured the world's attention as well.

by Larry Johnson



 or the crew working on the #1 Mary Sudik well on March 26, 1930, now down around 6,400 feet, it had been a long, noisy night of drilling. They were
working for Indian Territory Illuminating Oil Company
(ITIO) on a lease secured from Mary Sudik and her husband,
Vincil. The Sudiks were Bohemian immigrants who had purchased a dairy farm at Bryant and SE 59th. They hoped leasing the mineral rights on their land would give them

Meanwhile 'Wild' Mary was blowing (by some estimates) 20,000 barrels of oil and 200,000,000 cubic feet of gas into the air every day. Strong winds sprayed oil all over the countryside as far away as Norman; buildings at Oklahoma University were stained with a fine greasy mist. Reports came in that some structures and even automobiles caught fire when the flammable mist fell on them.

'Wild' Mary Sudik roared on. She attracted the attention

enough money to pay their property taxes.

The exhausted crew forgot to secure the hole with mud and just as they climbed off the derrick, a a pocket of gas exploded through the hole. It was soon followed by a gush of oil propelled by the force of the explosion. The oil had a mixture of fine sand in it and



of the national news media and soon her exploits were reported all over the globe. Reporters even came to interview the real Mary Sudik. After 11 days, H. M. Myracle, using an apparatus he engineered especially for the wild well, was able to cap the hole. We don't know how much oil and gas was wasted

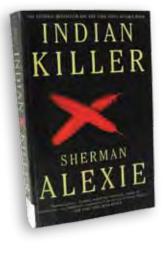
the explosive force made the sand act as a cutting tool, slicing pipe and eventually ripping the top off the derrick. Crews in the area rushed in to cap the well, but each time the well blew out the fittings. By the end of the day she was 'Wild' Mary Sudik.

For days an army of engineers and veteran drillers from all over America came in to tame 'Wild' Mary Sudik. Nothing worked. Crews had to don goggles and wear scarves over their faces to prevent breathing in the gritty black crude. They used hand signals to communicate with each other because they couldn't hear even the shouts of the nearest man. trying to cap 'Wild' Mary, but 211,859 barrels of oil were retrieved from pits around the derrick.

Eventually thirteen wells were sunk on the Sudik lease and tens of millions of barrels of oil were drawn from it. The Sudiks obviously became very wealthy. Did they move to Beverly Hills? No, they moved to a little house on SW 24th in Capitol Hill – Mary had to be near her grandchildren.

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



Indian Killer by Sherman Alexie

Imagine a young Indian girl, too young to give birth, but she does. The boy child is swept away, adopted by a white couple. They love and provide for their only child. They name him John Smith. He grows and somewhere in childhood realizes he is not like them; his skin is brown not pink, his playmates look like their families and he feels abandoned.

John sees a likeness between himself and native peoples. He grows tall and slender. He listens with his eyes and he can see through lies. As an adult, John lives alone becoming a workman on the last skyscraper in Seattle. Towering above the world, John is removed from it. What sparks his journey to find out who he is?

Author Alexie weaves a thick web of suspense as he tackles the question of blood quantum. How much Indian blood makes a true Indian? Can one become Indian by simply wishing it so? Can one become white growing up with Caucasian parents? Alexie's characters are driven and stark against a world of black and white with few shades of grey.

Alexie describes IK: "A serial murderer is terrorizing Seattle, hunting and scalping white men... Seattle's Native Americans are shaken and confused, none more so than John Smith...(who) fights to slake the anger that engulfs him...and the Indian Killer claims yet another life."

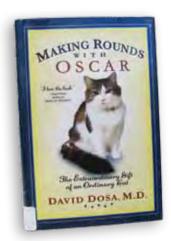
Find it. Read it. It will change you.

Kelley Riha is Community Information Coordinator in the MLS Outreach Dept. She is a long-time performer for children and reviews books written for the youngest readers.



ON THE SHELF

Making Rounds With Oscar: The Extraordinary Gift of an Ordinary Cat by David Dosa reviewed by Christine Bassett



There have been many bestsellers out recently involving animals that can be enjoyed by everyone who loves pets. *Making Rounds With Oscar* is written for a specific audience as it features a cat living in a nursing home who predicts when someone is going to die.

Doctor David Dosa works at Steere House Rest Home helping his elderly patients and their families come to terms with chronic illness and dementia when one of the nurses tells him about a puzzling mystery. Every time someone is going to die, Oscar the usually unaffectionate black and white hospital cat, goes into a patient's room and sits on the bed until they have been taken to the funeral home. At first Dr Dosa doubts the truth of this mystery until he realizes that this is beginning to occur with uncanny regularity. How does the cat know when someone is going to die before the patient or any of the medical staff? Surely the time of death is in the hands of God or at least medical knowledge? Dosa begins to investigate and comes to a surprising conclusion.

Retold with an affection for his patients and an understanding of illness, this book will not only particularly appeal to those with parents or other family members coming to the end of their lives but also to those who are curious to learn more about a cat named Oscar with a special gift.

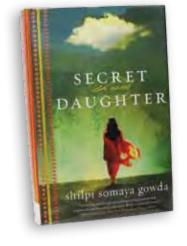
This title is also available as an OverDrive MP3 Audiobook, and as an Adobe EPUB eBook.

Christine Bassett has worked for the MLS for nearly 10 years. She currently works as a reference librarian at Belle Isle and is a volunteer community literacy tutor in her spare time.



reviewed by Kelley Riha





Secret Daughter by Shilpi Somaya Gowda

These ideas percolated in my mind over time, and eventually formed the underlying themes of Secret Daughter. How much of our life is destined for us -- by our gender, our economic class, or the culture we're born into? How much is within our power to change?

In the last decade there have been a large number of authors writing about India. Shilpi Somaya Gowda is another to join the ranks of such great writers as Umrity Thumrigar, and Man Booker Award winners Aravind Adiga, Salman Rushdie and Arandhati Roy. In *Secret Daughter*, Gowda is concerned about the birth ratio in India. There are a significant lower number of girls to boys proportionally compared with the rest of the world.

One of the most disturbing manifestations is India's gender imbalance. In most of the world, there are 105 females for every 100 males; in India, there are fewer than 93. The accepted reason for this disparity is the practice of female infanticide and abortion. reviewed by Christine Bassett

In this story, Usha's mother Kavita secretly smuggles her into an orphanage in Mumbai rather than have her husband carry out infanticide. Usha is later adopted by a mixed race couple who change her name to Asha (Hope) and taken to live in California. Somer, the mother, is American but her husband Krishnan is originally from Mumbai.

Gowda traces Asha's comfortable life in America and contrasts it with her birth parents struggle to survive in Mumbai. Years later Usha returns to the city of her birth as a student journalist to research life in the city slums where coincidentally her birth parents lived for a time after she was born. She also tries to trace her birth parents and to reconnect with her Indian roots.

Gowda writes a gripping page turner that not only explores the sights and sounds, food and culture of India, but also describes the heartache of the lives of all those affected by the custom of infanticide and foreign adoption in both America and India.



reviewed by Stormy Lee

Flavia's personality and character make this heroine so easy to love that it happens before you realize it or can take it back. The time period and place setting lends Flavia a delicious freedom to indulge her imagination and self-styled missions in a way that would not be realistic or possible in another time and place. As soon as I was finished with this book, I rabidly hunted down the sequel, which was just as wonderful as this one, and, of course, I impatiently await future additions to this lovely series beginning!

This title is also available as an audio book.

Stormy Lee works in the MLS Inter Library Loan office and so spends her days with those books that receive the most tender loving care. She is also a poet and artist.

The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie by Alan C. Bradley

Flavia de Luce, 11 year old self-taught chemist

applies her sharp wit, intelligence, level-headedness,

and ability to reason when a stranger's body literally

trips her into the world of detecting. In between

nefarious revenges upon her two sisters, Ophelia

(Feely) and Daphne (Daffy), with whom she lives

committing herself to discover the facts and solve

whom is her own father!) or the villain strikes again.

the case before the police inspector reaches the wrong conclusions with the wrong suspects (one of

Alan Bradley's outstanding development of

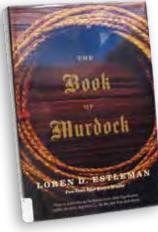
along with their father at Buckshaw, she throws

herself into the investigation of this mystery,

living with, being tormented by, and exacting

with a special affinity and fascination for poisons,

Reviews & Recommendations



The Book of Murdock By Loren D. Estleman

This is Estleman's eighth Page Murdock western and the first in six years. This time out, U.S. Marshal Murdock has to disguise himself as an evangelical preacher to travel down to the Texas panhandle on the trail of a gang of thieves and murderers. He's got the small town of Owen, TX, on one side-to which he's got to bring the Good Word—and a crotchety Texas Ranger on the other. In the middle with Murdock are a sheep rancher and his wife, a woman with a past that includes the marshal.

As much a mystery as a western (Estleman writes the Amos Walker private eye series) The Book of

Murdock is fast-paced fun and loaded with the kind of dialogue and descriptions that make you sit up and take notice. Here's Murdock describing the Texas panhandle, a section of the country he truly hates: "No other spot on the map was better named, with the possible exception of the Dead Sea."

Go west, young reader.

Doug Bentin appears weekly on the MLS TV program "Read About It." Check out his movie reviews in The Oklahoma Gazette, and his occasional film writing on the Oklahoma Film Critics Circle website, http://ofccircle.org/



A Captain's Duty: Somali Pirates, Navy SEALs, and Dangerous Days at Sea by Richard Phillips, with Stephen Talty reviewed by Jana Hausburg

RICHARD

"I wouldn't let them see me cowering or quaking in front of them. I wasn't going to give them the satisfaction. The anger washed away the faces of my loved ones. I had to deal with these bastards now."

Merchant marines are rarely mentioned with the same breathless reverence we reserve for our enlisted men and women of the Armed Forces. Yet the merchant marine, founded in 1775, is the first of our nation's services and serving in all wars. Made up of the America's civilian-owned merchant ships and the men and women that crew them, they are a group of misfits, renegades, and seaman not quite comfortable with navy regulations and onboard etiquette, who act as an auxiliary to the Navy. In a time of war, they are called to deliver supplies and troops for the military.

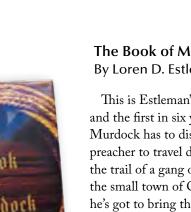
Don't mess with a merchant mariner. Somali pirates found out the hard way when they hijacked the Maersk Alabama with Captain Richard Phillips onboard. Phillips had prepared his crew, meticulously going over security drills until his

crewman were comfortable about what to do in case of a pirate attack. Days later, when the imaginary exercise became a reality, Phillips outsmarted the four young Somalis, keeping them from operating the boat, shutting down engines and communications, and carefully shepherding them away from where his crew was hiding.

In exchange for the safety of his crew, Phillips offered himself as a hostage, boarding a lifeboat with the pirates and spending the next five days in a dangerous stand-off. Mind games, an attempted escape, a severe beating, and mock execution were only the beginning of Phillips' ordeal, while out in the ocean, the USS Bainbridge slowly came into range, carrying a group of highly trained US Navy SEALs.

Then, it really gets good.

A cataloger for the Metropolitan Library System since 1995, Jana Hausburg has the daunting task of cataloging library books before they go on the shelves of your local library.





reviewed by Doug Bentin



New Ways to Communicate With You

he Metropolitan Library System's long-running television program *Read About It* has undergone a number of changes since its debut 19 years ago, and it is about to change again. But did you know that MLS has had a presence on TV for over 50 years?

That first series was *Creative Crafts* and it eventually evolved into a program that explored all the arts and attracted some of the best painters in the Northern Hemisphere.

In 1991, MLS decided that its television efforts – *Creative Crafts* and its sister shows *Medicine and You* and *Money and You* – should more closely reflect the library's central mission, and after a forty year run TV programming changed again. *READ ABOUT IT* was born, making its debut in February, 1992.

The new program's success was quick and sure. Executive producer and host, BJ

Williams, put together central Oklahoma's only locally produced discussion show for viewers interested in the literary life. *Read About It* featured an eight-minute interview with an author – although publishers, illustrators, book designers, agents, editors, book store owners, and representatives of writers' organization have also appeared. Library staff and articulate members of the community at large reviewed books, videos and other material for adults and children. Fans of the show enjoyed hearing people not unlike themselves discuss books that inspired, amused, shocked, or simply entertained them.

"What often came out in the interviews," the program's producer, BJ Williams, noted, "was an appreciation of the work that is needed before the author can begin to write, what the author's central story is, and how much the author enjoys writing."

There was nothing quite like *READ ABOUT IT* produced by a public library system anywhere in America.

But with the changes in technology and the ways people use it to access information, *Read About It*

ceased production in June, 2010. Upcoming

plans for some of the regular segments will be accessible through our website, www.metrolibrary.org, or via YouTube. We'll keep you up to date.

With the internet becoming the best means of communicating a lot of information to the public in a timely manner, you can count on MLS to find ways to use the new technology to let you know what's happening at your neighborhood library.



Want to Learn a Second Language?

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Internationally, around 70 percent of the world's people can speak more than one language. In America, only approximately 9 percent of the population is bilingual.

If you're like a lot of folks, you'd like to know another language but you don't want to put in the amount of work it takes to actually learn it. Does this sound like you? "It takes too long. It costs too much. It's too hard."

But you've got a business trip scheduled to Japan, or you've always wanted to visit Paris—or even Quebec—and you know you'd have a better time if you could speak a little French.

And that's where your Metropolitan Library System comes to the rescue.

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We've recently acquired a subscription to one of the best online languagelearning system databases: Mango Languages. Mango has been praised by the New York Public Library and the Los Angeles Times, among others, as being one of the easiest and most satisfying methods of learning at least the basics of a new language.

If you're just looking to master simple thoughts and phrases for a brief vacation, Mango Basic is for you. This version teaches every day greetings, goodbyes, and helpful phrases in a shorter length of time. Mango Basic requires only two-to-five hours for completion and the courses are available in 22 languages and 15 ESL courses.

Each Mango lesson combines real life situations and audio from native speakers with simple, clear instructions. Users learn actual *conversation*, breaking down complex conversational elements within an audio-visual framework that allows the user to draw important connections between pieces of information they have already learned.

Mango Complete teaches not only the vocabulary but the grammar and the cultural links between the language and the history and characteristics of the country where the language is spoken. The full course of study is 100 lessons and you work at your own pace.

Sounds good, right, and Mango addresses two of those big three excuses for not picking up a new language, but what about the third one? "It costs too much."

Perhaps the best news of all is that if you have an MLS library card and access Mango Languages through our website, you can learn with Mango at absolutely no cost to you. That's the great advantage of having a library subscription to the service.

We subscribe to several databases and so can relay their information to you through our website. Visit www.metrolibrary.org. Then click on "Catalog & Databases," enter your library card number, click on "Databases" and you're ready

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to go. Mango Languages is listed under the heading "Education" and under "All databases". If you have questions about Mango, ask about it at the Information Desk the next time you visit your neighborhood library.



The Jones Library

The City of Jones may have a population less than 2,600, but it makes up in heart what it lacks in numbers. When the ice storm of 2007 walloped the small town, weather conditions not only started a fire at Jones High School, it caused a drop in water pressure that was so severe, firefighters could do little but watch the school burn to the ground.

The Jones Library, as it had done after previous natural disasters, stepped forward to help students in all grades keep up with their lessons. Jones Library had assisted the Elementary School by arranging student visits when its library was damaged. In return, some library programming has been presented at the Elementary School. When crowds are expected, Jones Library, which is quite small, uses "off campus" locations.

As part of the 17-library Metropolitan Library System, Jones Library has access to the entire MLS collection of books, magazines, CDs, DVDs, etc. so no one has to wait more than a day or two for requested items.



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



HOURS Mon-Thur: 9

R. May Ave. N. Villa Ave. N. Pennsylvania Ave.

Oklahoma Children's Theatre Presents: Old MacDonald Had a Farm Jul 1 | Thur | 7-8p arts

Expressway

All ages

Old MacDonald had a farm and on that farm he had ...five little ducks went out one day... to see the farmer in the Dell...who watched as Itsy Bitsy Spider climbed up the garden wall... Your preschooler will sing, dance, wiggle and jiggle as all your favorite farm and animal

songs and rhymes are performed by one and all! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa Jul 8 | Thur | 7-8p arts All ages

All ages & entertainment Come hear the fascinating folktales of Asia and Africa told by the Japanese natives, Motoko Dworkin and Eshu! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole Jul 15 | Thur | 7-8p art

All ages

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& entertainment



When the waterhole is full all the animals gather to drink. One day the water dries up and everyone works to find fresh water except the rabbit. The working animals decide: "no work no water". The rabbit decides: "I'll drink but I will not work". Who will out smart whom? Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Service Corps of Retired Executives Jul 17 | Sat | 9a-Noon Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Saturday of the month. The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Sign up at the Reference Desk for an appointment. Co-sponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Have a Vision; Set a Goal: Make Your Own Vision Board Jul 17 | Sat | 1-2p

Age 11 and older



Make your own vision board with poster board and pictures, so you can surround yourself your goals, hopes, and dreams. Some supplies will be provided. Bring scissors and any pictures that you especially want to display. Sign up at reference desk

Metro OKC Knit Guild Group Meeting Jul 18 | 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

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All MLS libraries will be closed July 4 and 5 for the 4th of July holiday.

and examples of charity knitting projects. For questions about the group, call 793-1566 or email at lluse@aol.com.

Science Museum Oklahoma Jul 20 | Tue | 2-3p Teens W

Water covers around ¾ of the earth's surface. But don't let its abundance fool you. Water is weird! From water that explodes, to supercooled water that crystallizes before your eyes, water is more than a thirst quencher. Be warned, you may never look at water the same again.

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree, ____

and Me Jul 22 | Thur | 7-8p All ages



In the opening song, Science Lesson, the cast of three teaches the audience about photosynthesis, symbiosis and harmony and how important they are in nature. "When two things live together they both take and they both give." Join this colorful cast of singing characters in learning the real value of nature to all of us. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Mr. Stinky Feet and the

Hiccups Jul 29 | Thur | 7-8p All ages



The 2nd Annual Children's Metro Music Fest is not to be missed. We are bringing back Mr. Stinkyy Feet and the Hiccups who always pack the house. Grab your dancing shoes but come early—space is limited! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Bethany Library

3501 N. Mueller, Bethany (405) 789-8363

HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-9

Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5

Sun: Closed



Skateboarding Jul 1 | Thur |7-9p Teens

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Learn about extreme sports and watch a live skateboarding demo by local skaters!

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Folktales from Asia & Africa Jul 6 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a All ages



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Music With Susan Jul 7,21 | Wed | 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.

Gamefest Jul 8 | Thur | 2-4p Teens



children& FAMILIES

Game on! Bring your friends and come play Wii, PS2, and Nintendo Gamecube video games like Guitar Hero, Super Smash Brothers, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext.3.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole

Jul 13 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a arts & entertainment All ages

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Summer Fun for Toddlers Jul 14 | Wed | 9:30-10:10a and 10:30-11:10a Ages 2-3



Enjoy a play time with parachute games and other active games for young children along with a circle time with a story, songs and nursery rhymes. Choose the 9:30 or 10:30 session. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext. 3.

Wii Fun and Games Jul 16 | Fri | 10-11:30a Adults

Get your fitness and fun with Wii games on Friday mornings. Light snacks will be provided.

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Under the Sea Printmaking Jul 21 | Wed | 2-3:30p TeenS Teens

Learn basic printmaking by scratching on foam, rolling ink, and printing on paper. Turn your prints into personalized artist trading cards to share with your friends! Supplies provided. Taught by local artist Erin Oldfield. Pre-register at the library information desk or call 789-8363, ext.3.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Farmer Jason

Jul 27 | Tue | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a All ages



The 2nd Annual Children's Metro Music Fest is not to be missed. We will start the week off with Emmy Award winning Farmer Jason who will rock the house with his country-punk sound, because there is a little farmer in all of us. Boot scoot on down to the library, but make sure to come early because space is limited. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Story and Craft Time Jul 28 | Wed | 10-10:45a 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.



SW 26th St.

Family Place Play Time Jul 6 | Tue | 2-3p Jul 20 | Tue | 10-11a Age 5 and younger w/parent/caregiver

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Parents and young children can play together at the library! Play is an important part of early childhood education. Early language and literacy skills are built during play!

Move and Groove Story Time Jul 7,21 | Wed | 6-6:30p Age 6 and younger



Move and Groove Story Time moves to evenings for the summer. Come get your dance on!

Children Reading to Dogs Jul 10,24 | Sat | 11a-Noon Children who can read



Come and Read to a dog! Readers can 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. Dogs are provided. Please pre-register at 634-6308 or in person at the information desk.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole Jul 12 | Mon | 1-2p arts All ages



When the waterhole is full all the animals gather to drink. One day the water dries up and everyone works to find fresh water except the rabbit. The working animals decide: "no work no water". The rabbit decides: "I'll drink but I will not work". Who will out smart whom? Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Sweet Summer Snacks Jul 13 | Tue | 2-3p Ages 4 and older

Kids can cook! Learn about nutritious snacks, and create some sweet recipes for hot summer days. Parents welcome to participate. Preregistration is required. Please call 406-634-6308 or register in person at the information desk.

Summer Sequoyah Book Jul 14,28 | Wed | 3-4p Ages 7-12

Come read a good book with friends. Don't let your reading skills fade over the summer, make a splash and read!

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree, and Me

Jul 19 | Mon | 1-2p All ages



In the opening song, Science Lesson, the cast of three teaches the audience about photosynthesis, symbiosis and harmony and how important they are in nature. "When two things live together they both take and they both give." Join this colorful cast of singing characters in learning the real value of nature to all of us. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

By The Campfire Storytime Jul 22 | Thur | 6:30-7:15p Ages 3-10

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Bring your flashlight and pajamas and join us for story time by the campfire.

Computer Basics 1 Jul 24 | Sat | 2-3:15p Adults



Part 1 of a 2 part class. Learn all the basics to get you started: computer components, tools, task bar, Microsoft Word and more. If you are just getting started you won't want to miss it! Call 606-3879 to register.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Farmer Jason Jul 26 | Mon | 1-2p All ages



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Gamefest Jul 27 | Tue | 2-4p Teens



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

Choctaw Library 2525 Muzzy St., Choctaw (405) 390-8418

HOURS Mon-Thur: 9-8 Fri: 9-6

Sat: 9-5 Sun: Closed



Oklahoma Children's Theatre Presents: Old MacDonald Had a Farm Jul 2 | Fri | 1-2p arts

All ages



Old MacDonald had a farm and on that farm he had ... five little ducks went out one day... to see the farmer in the Dell...who watched as Itsy Bitsy Spider climbed up the garden wall... Your preschooler will sing, dance, wiggle and jiggle as all your favorite farm and animal songs and rhymes are performed by one and all! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Lapsit Story Time Jul 6,13,20,27 | Tue 9:30-10a

Ages 6 months-3 years



Join us for simple songs, rhymes, and stories

for parents and babies to enjoy together. Please call 390-8418 or stop by the reference desk to sign up.

Preschool Story Time Jul 6,13,20,27 | Tue 10:30-11a Ages 3-5 years



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

Parent Talk Jul 8 | Thur | 1-4:30p Parents or caregivers of young children



Sessions include discussion about the normal range of early development as well as any parenting questions you may have in the areas of speech, language, development and behavior. Children do not have to be present at session. Call 425-4412 to schedule your 45 minute appointment.

Gamefest Jul 8 | Thur | 5-7p Teens



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Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa Jul 9 | Fri | 1-2p arts & entertainment All ages

Come hear the fascinating folktales of Asia and Africa told by the Japanese natives, Motoko Dworkin and Eshu! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Family Place: Open Play Jul 10 | Sat | 10-11a Ages 6 months - 5 years



On the second Saturday of every month the Choctaw Library provides great toys and a space for you and your child to play together. Sharing playtime with your child helps promote learning and development. Come and join the fun! Call 390-8418 to register.

Make a Splash with Project Wet July 12 | Mon | 3-4p Ages 6 and older

Make a splash at the library. Join Project Wet for some fun water activities and learn about the water cycle. Reserve a space by stopping by the library or calling 390-8418. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County Conservation District.

Interpreting Dreams for Self-Discovery Jul 13 | Tue | 6-7p Adults

This lecture presents the language of dreams we call the Universal Language of Mind. It includes simple methods for improving dream recall, how to understand the messages of dreams, how to apply that understanding to produce rapid and permanent growth. Cosponsor: School of Metaphysics.

Under the Sea Printmaking Jul 14 | Wed | 3-4:30p Teens Te



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Learn basic printmaking by scratching on foam, rolling ink, and printing on paper. Turn your prints into personalized artist trading cards to share with your friends! Supplies provided. Taught by local artist Erin Oldfield. Pre-register.

Parachute Play Jul 16 | Fri | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6 with parent

While playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice skills such as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Facilitated by Child Guidance Speech-Language Pathologists. Class size limited to 10 children. Call 425-4412 to pre-register. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole Jul 16 | Fri | 1-2p art All ages



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Rainforest Trek Jul 19 | Mon | 3-4p Ages 5 and older

young children

Take a trek with us to the Rainforest. Look at and touch artifacts. Make a butterfly ring. Facilitated by Myriad Gardens staff. Preregister at 390-8418. Co-sponsor: Myriad Gardens.

Parenting Series: Look at Me! I'm Three Jul 20 | Tue | 6-7:30p Parents/caregivers of



Learn more about your terrific three year old

child. This workshop will focus on the characteristics of three year olds and how we can assist in their overall development. Bring your questions with you. Please call 425-4412 to register. Facilitated by Child Guidance Staff: Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Go! Chinese Board Game Jul 22 | Thur | 6-7:30p Teens



Go is a fascinating board game from ancient China, played by millions of people in the US, Europe, Japan, China, Taiwan, and Korea. It's more popular in Asia than chess is in the west! Whether you're a total newbie or a grand master, you'll have fun learning and playing at this event. Please call the Information Desk to register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Go Players Association.

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree, and Me

Jul 23 | Fri | 1-2p All ages

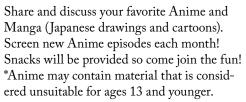
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Ookami Anime Club Jul 24 | Sat | 2:30-4p Teens



Fishing Derby Jul 26 | Mon | 3-4p All ages

Make a splash and celebrate the end of summer reading. Join us for our annual fishing derby. Fish for prizes, create with sidewalk chalk, and have a cool treat. Please stop by or call 390-8418 to sign up.

Teen End-of-Summer Par-tay! Jul 29 | Thur | 6-7p Teens TeenS

It's the last week of the Summer Reading Program and we'll end it with a bang! Join us for the Teen end-of-summer-reading Par-tay! There will be (hot) dogs, drinks, music, and fun stuff to do!

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Mr. Stinky Feet and the

Hiccups Jul 30 | Fri | 1-2p All ages



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English and Spanish Intercambio Jul 1 | Thur | 7-8p All ages



¿Habla Ingés? ¿Te gustaría? Or perhaps you would like to speak Spanish? An "intercambio" is a language exchange between people who speak different languages and want to practice speaking each other's language. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, a qualified ESL tutor will be on hand to help you learn and practice the Spanish or English language. To sign up, call 672-1377.

Splish Splash Summer Storytime Jul 6 | Tue | 6:30-7:15p Ages 4-8

Water, water, water! Splish Splash Summer Storytime continues the Summer Reading theme of "Make a Splash: Read"! There will be stories and other watery activities. Come for fun!

Del City Book Club

Jul 6 | Tue | 7-8p Adults

The Del City Book Club meets monthly to discuss a book chosen by its members. Join

anytime and suggest a title for upcoming meetings! This month we are reading *The Storm Chasers* by Jenna Blum. Come by and pick up your copy!

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents:

Folktales from Asia & Africa Jul 7 | Wed 10:30-11:30a ari All ages



Come hear the fascinating folktales of Asia and Africa told by the Japanese natives, Motoko Dworkin and Eshu! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Set Sail for Storytime Jul 9 | Fri | 10-10:20a Ages 1-5



Young children are invited to Morning Storytime for stories about boats and ships and other things that move in the water! There will be sailing stories and other activities, too.

Wizard Rock Concert Jul 10 | Sat | 7-9:30p Teens and adults

It's our 4th annual MLS wizard rock show, featuring bands singing about the world of Harry Potter! Featuring the Whomping Willows, Justin Finch-Fletchley and the Sugar Quills, and the Moaning Myrtles! Questions? Call the library at 672-1377. Rock on!

Parent Talk Jul 12 | Mon | 1-4:30p Parents of preschoolers

The Oklahoma City/County Health Department will make their services available to parents of preschoolers. Bring your questions, problems, etc. to the Health Department staff for answers. Appointments are 30 minutes to an hour during the afternoon and are required for this free service! They can be made by calling 425-4412.

Stray Sock Sewing Jul 13 | Tue | 2-3:30p Teens



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Make quirky one-of-a-kind creatures from random socks. Whether you sew one that's weird, odd-looking, or just totally adorable, they'll all be cuddly and fun. Supplies provided, or bring your own stray socks after the washer or dryer eats the other one. Taught by local artist Savannah Mitchell. Pre-register at the information desk or by calling 606-3879.

TAB Meet Up Jul 13 | Tue | 3:30-4:30p TeenS

The Teen Advisory Board (TAB) gives teens the opportunity to participate, volunteer,

and influence teen services at the Del City Library. We meet once a month to talk about the books, magazines, music, and library programs that YOU care about. Join us and make the Del City Library YOUR library! Call 672-1377 for more information.

Rhythmically Speaking	Presents:
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PlayTime Jul 15 | Thur | 10-11a Ages 6 months-3 years

Del City Library provides toys for play. Guest Cheryl Custer, Oklahoma City/County Health Department, will provide information about their services with the parents and caregivers.

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree,

and Me Jul 21 | Wed 10:30-11:30a All ages



In the opening song, Science Lesson, the cast of three teaches the audience about photosynthesis, symbiosis and harmony and how important they are in nature. "When two things live together they both take and they both give." Join this colorful cast of singing characters in learning the real value of nature to all of us. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Mr. Stinky Feet and the

Hiccups Jul 28 | Wed 10:30-11:30a All ages



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Learn about extreme sports and watch a live skateboarding demo by local skaters!

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Noon Tunes Jul 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur 11:30a-12:30p arts All ages

Co-sponsored by the Friends of the Metropolitan Library System. Music groups performing in July are:

- Jul 1: Okie Dokey Banjo Band
- Jul 8: Marianne Serle & UCO Music Theater
- Jul 15: Sugar Free All Stars
- Jul 22: McMichael School of Music's Rock
- Jul 29: Guitarist Danny Vaughan Trio

Thursday Afternoon Movies Jul 1,8,15,22 | Thur | 1-3p Ages 13 and older

Join us on Thursday afternoons in July for our summer movie series. July showings are:

- Jul 1: The Spiderwick Chronicles Jul 8: Bee Movie
- Jul 15: Inkheart Jul 22: The Fantastic Mr. Fox

PM Play with Me Jul 1 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Infants to age 4 w/parent



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. Pre-register by calling 231-8650 ext. 4, or visit the Children's Reference Desk.



Thursday Noon Tunes

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

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- **July 29: Guitarist Danny Vaughan Trio**

Downtown Library

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All performances are free and open to the public.





Play With Me Jul 2 | Fri | 10-10:50a Infants to age 4 w/parent

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Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa 📃 Jul 6 | Tue | 1-2p & entertainment All ages

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Wednesday Night at the Movies Jul 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6-8p Ages 13 and older

Join the Downtown Library for Wednesday Night at the Movies! Please call 231-8650 for more information.

Jul 7: Avatar (5:30p showing) Jul 14: The Blind Side Jul 21: Sherlock Holmes Jul 28: Jurassic Park



Preschool Aerobics Jul 9 | Fri | 10-10:45a Ages 12 mos - 5 years

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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 visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole

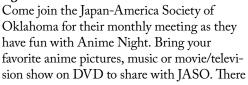
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Japan-American Society of **Oklahoma Meeting** Jul 13 | Tue | 6:15-8:15p Ages 13 and older





is a 7 minute time limit on each presentation. For more info please check the website www. meetup.com and search for Japan-America Society of Oklahoma.

Preschool Storytime Jul 16 | Fri | 10-10:45a Ages 3-5 w/adult



Children between the ages of three and five are getting ready to master the skills they need to become readers. Storytime 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, by visiting the Children's Reference Desk.

Children Reading to Dogs Jul 17 | Sat | 3-4p Children who can 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.

Double Play Flute and Tuba Jul 18 | Sun | 2-3p arts All ages



These classically trained musicians, Amy Ridings and Patrick Sciannella, are the only



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professional flute and tuba duo in the world. They bring to Downtown unique arrangements of some of the world's most popular music interspersed with humorous and historical anecdotes. Everyone is invited to hear this free concert that carries on the tradition of a concert each month. Hear and experience music played by this extraordinary duo.

Skateboarding Jul 18 | Sun | 2-4p Teens



Learn about extreme sports and watch a live skateboarding demo by local skaters!

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree,

and Me Jul 20 | Tue | 1-2 All ages



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Open Computer Instruction Jul 20 | Tue | 6-7:30p Adults



The Route 66 Computer Lab will be open for your convenience. Come with questions and specific skills you would like to learn. Examples are email, word, blogging, Facebook and more. One on one instruction will be provided. Call 606-3879 to register.

Bilingual Family Storytime Jul 22 | Thur | 6:30-7:30p Preschool & Elementary Children & Their Families



Join us the 4th Thursday of every month for a Bilingaul Family Story Time. Children and their families will enjoy stories, fingerplays, a craft and more. Call 231-8650, ext. 4 to register. Tiempo de cuentos para la familia La Hora: 6:30pm-7:15 pm Localización: Downtown Edades: Familias con Niños 1-12

Venga, cuentos serán leidos en español y ingles. Los padres y sus ninos gazarán de interesantes cuentos, algunos serán leidos por "Wally," un titere. Llamar al 231-8650, extensión 4 para registarse.

Music Play with Miss Ginger Jul 23 | Fri | 10-10:50a Ages 2-5 w/adult



Enjoy songs, musical games and a story with

Ginger Waldrip of Ginger's Kindermusik. Instruments will be provided for those who have registered by calling 231-8650, ext. 4.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Farmer Jason

Jul 25 | Sun | 2-3p Jul 27 | Tue | 1-2 All ages



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Doc Crawford: Water Experiments Jul 29| Thur | 1-2p All ages



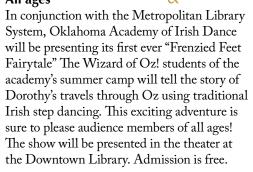
Doc Crawford, already known for his magic elixir, will educate and entertain you with scientific water experiments and magical water tricks.

Parachute Play Jul 30 | Fri |10-10:45a Ages 2-5 w/adult



Enjoy putting toys, music, games and a colorful parachute together for movement fun! Call 231-8650 ext. 4.

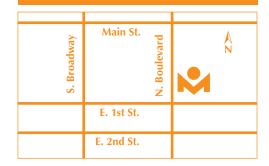
Frenzied Feet Fairytale "The Wizard of Oz!" Jul 30 | Fri | 3-4p All ages



Recraft Artworks Jul 31 | Sat | 2-3p Ages 8-14

Learn to save water by recycling house hold items and turning them into beautiful crafts. You could make a rug out of plastic bags, a skirt or vest out of men's ties, or homemade paper from old newspapers. Everyone who preregisters receives a gift. Call 231-8650, ext.4.

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Oklahoma Children's Theatre Presents: Old MacDonald Had a Farm

Jul 1 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a All ages

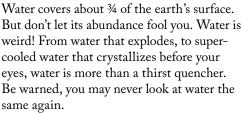


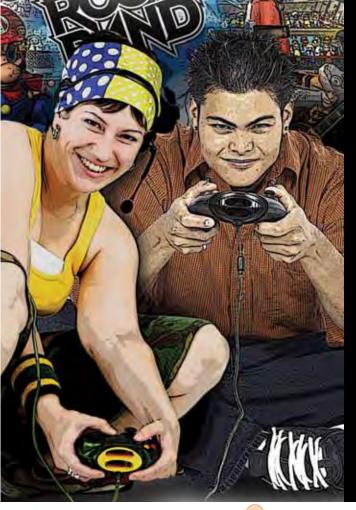
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Splish, Splash Scrapbook Fun Jul 6 | Tue | 10-11:30a Ages 7-12

Water is wet but scrapbooks aren't! Come join Ms. Diane and learn to make a scrapbook using paper bags, colored paper, stamps and trimmings. ***Please bring 3x5 copies of several photos of you in and around water: at the pool, the ocean or lake, playing in the hose or sprinkler, with water balloons, or on a slip 'n' slide, you name it. Registration is limited to 15. Please stop by the children's desk or call 341-9282,x4 to enroll, beginning June 21st. ***Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend and lend a helping hand.

Science Museum Oklahoma Jul 6 | Tue | 3-4p Teens TeenS





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Game on! Bring your friends and come play video games like Guitar Hero, Wii Sports, Super Smash Bros, Rock Band, DDR, and more. Games are rated E, E10+, and T.

FREE! For teens. Call your library to sign up.

Children Reading to Dogs Jul 6,20 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p (Children who can 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 enjoy hearing one of the dog stories we will 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. Sessions last approximately 15-20 minutes.

55+ Coffee Break Jul 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 9-11a Seniors

This is a Coffee Break just for you. Snacks, good conversation, Scrabble or games you bring yourself. Find out about new books offered in the library system. Don't miss out on the fun!

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa Jul 8 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a and 10:30-11:30a arts All ages & entertainment

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Music With Susan Jul 9,23 | 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 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 Jul 9,23 | Fri 11:15-11:45a 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.

Practical Green Living Jul 10 | Sat | 10-11a Adults

Don't miss this fun, fabulous and practical green living workshop for women, families, and all interested in living a greener, more ecologically balanced life. For those of you who don't have time to grow your own food or remodel your home with the latest in energyefficient gizmos, Learn every-day pointers that can help you save cash in the long run. **July 8 ~ 2 – 4pm** Bethany Library 3510 N. Mueller, 789-8363

July 8 ~ 5 – 7pm Choctaw Library 2525 Muzzy Street, 390-8418

July 15 ~ 6:30 – 8pm Warr Acres Library 5901 N.W. 63rd, 721-2616

July 17 ~ 1 – 4pm The Village Library 10307 N. Pennsylvania, 755-0710

July 27 ~ 2 – 4pm Capitol Hill Library 334 S.W. 26th, 634-6308

July 29 ~ 3 – 4:30pm Ralph Ellison Library 2000 N.E. 23rd, 424-1437

July 31 ~ 12 – 3pm Southern Oaks Library 6900 S. Walker, 631-4468

Stamp Club Jul 10 | Sat | 10a-Noon 4th grade and older Looking for a new hobby? Join experienced stamp collectors who can guide you in this rewarding venture. Pre-register at 348-4607.

Reader's Choice Jul 10 | Sat | 10a-12:30p Adults

The Reader's Choice book club is a group of people who enjoy reading and discussing outstanding contemporary books. July's selection is *Half Broke Horses*. For more information, please call the Edmond Library at 341-9282.

Advanced Farsi Jul 11,18,25 | Sun 1:30-2:30p Adults and Teens



For those who have some familiarity with spoken and written Farsi. Supply charge is \$20. per month, payable to the instructor.

Beginning Farsi Jul 11,18,25 | Sun 2:30-3:30p Adults and Teens



For students who are beginning their study of Farsi. Supply charge for the class that you select is \$20.



Skateboarding Jul 12 | Mon | 6-8p Teens



Learn about extreme sports and watch a live skateboarding demo by local skaters!

Wet & Wacky Water Games Jul 13 | Tue | 2:30-3:30p Ages 6-9

Bring a towel and immerse yourself in the wonderful world of wet & wacky water games. Registration begins July 5th. Call 341-9282 ext. 4 to register.

Parent Talk Jul 14 | Wed | 1-5p Parents or guardians of young children



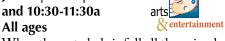
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Double Play Flute and Tuba Jul 14 | Wed | 2-3p Ages 6 and older



Take a "European Cruise" (children/family.) Travel the continent of Europe with the music of Bach, Mozart, Tchaikovsky and more! Our trip concludes with a taste of England's most famous pop stars, the Beatles!

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole Jul 15 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a



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Metropolitan Library Commission of Oklahoma County

Jul 15 | Thur | 3:30-5p Edmond Library 10 S. Boulevard Edmond, OK 73034 405.341.9282 The public is welcome to attend.

AARP Defensive Driving Safety Class Jul 17 | Sat | 9:30a-4p Seniors

This course helps drivers refine existing driving skills and develop safe driving techniques. Upon completion of this class on safe driving techniques, the student will be eligible to receive a state-mandated discount on their auto insurance premium. Cost is \$12. for AARP members, \$14. for non-members. Register at the Edmond Library, or by calling the library at 341-9282. Co-sponsor: AARP.

Dr. Crawford's Water **Experiments** Jul 20 | Tue | 2-3p Ages 4 & older



Experience the wizardry and wiles of a medicine man from the past as he regales us with his "Cure-All Elixir" tales and water experiments. Be intrigued by his sidekick, "Presto" the Magic Rabbit.

Sustainable Edmond Jul 20 | Tue | 6:30-8p Adults

At this monthly meeting of Sustainable Edmond members discuss how to improve quality of life in our community in ways that make sense economically, emotionally, and socially. Sustainable Edmond promotes environmental stewardship through individual, commercial, and business participation.

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree, and Me Jul 22 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a 📕 and 10:30-11:30a arts All ages



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Wizard Rock Jul 24 | Sat | 6-8:30p Teens and adults

It's time to wizard rock! This show features bands singing about the world of Harry Potter. Featuring the Remus Lupins and the Ministry of Magic! Questions? Call the library at 341-9282. Rock on!

Go! Chinese Board Game Jul 26 | Mon | 3-5p Teens



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China, played by millions of people in the US, Europe, Japan, China, Taiwan, and Korea. It's more popular in Asia than chess is in the west! Whether you're a total newbie or a grand master, you'll have fun learning and playing at this event. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Go Players Association.

Science Museum Oklahoma: Water World Jul 27 | Tue | 10:30-11:30a Ages 5-12

Water covers around 3/4 of the Earth's surface. It arrives on demand with just the turn of a faucet, and sometimes even falls right out of the sky. But don't let its abundance fool you, water is weird! From water that explodes, to super-cooled water that crystallizes before your eyes, water is more than a thirst quencher. Be warned, you may never look at water the same again! Co-sponsor: Science Museum Oklahoma.

Baby Basics Jul 28 | Wed | 3:30-5p Parents or guardians of young children



Even if this isn't your first experience of being a parent, questions may arise. Our main focus will be typical concerns of parents throughout the years. We'll discuss colic/crying, separation anxiety, sleeping through the night and any other issues you may want to talk about. We will also suggest some fun activities and ways to include your infant in everything you do. Call 425-4412 to schedule your 45 minute appointment. Facilitated by Louise Washburn M.S. CCC-SLP. and Robyn Sears MS, CCPS, CFLE, Child Development Specialist Child Guidance; OK City-Co. Health Dept. Co-Sponsor: OCCHD.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Mr. Stinky Feet and the **Hiccups**

Jul 29 | Thur | 9:30-10:30a 10:30-11:30a All ages



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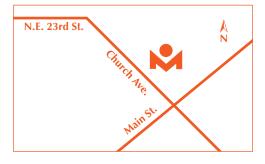
Go is a fascinating board game from ancient

Harrah Library

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

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

Sat: 9-5 Sun: Closed



Oklahoma Children's Theatre Presents: Old MacDonald Had a Farm Jul 2 | Fri | 10:30-11:30a arts All ages

Held at the First United Methodist Church, 2224 N. Harrison.

Old MacDonald had a farm and on that farm he had ...five little ducks went out one day... to see the farmer in the Dell...who watched as Itsy Bitsy Spider climbed up the garden wall... Your preschooler will sing, dance, wiggle and jiggle as all your favorite farm and animal songs and rhymes are performed by one and all! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa

Jul 9 | Fri

All ages

10:30-11:30a



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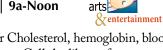
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Children Reading to Dogs Jul 10 | Sat | 9a-Noon Grades K-6th



Brush up on your reading skills by reading to Duke the therapy dog. Call the library at 454-2001 for information.

Health Fair Jul 10 | Sat | 9a-Noon All ages



Screenings for Cholesterol, hemoglobin, blood pressure, glucose. Call the library for more information. 454-2001.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents:

At the Water Hole Jul 16 | Fri 10:30-11:30a All ages



Held at the Harrah Nazarene Church, 20775 N. Church Ave. When the waterhole is full all the animals gather to drink. One day the water dries up and everyone works to find fresh water except the rabbit. The working animals decide: "no work no water". The rabbit decides: "I'll drink but I will not work". Who will out smart whom? Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Cimmaron Circuit Opera Company Presents: The Owl, the Tree, and Me Jul 23 | Fri

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Jones Library

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

HOURS

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



Andrea's Story Circle Jul 6 | Tue | 2-2:45p Families



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta

Andrea from the Oklahoma Climatological Survey brings her child-safe weather stories to life. We may hear about lightning safety in the Adventures of Rabbit, Possum and Squirrel or unusual weather events in Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs. Come, see for yourself!

Clownin' Around Jul 13 | Tue | 2-2:45p Families



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta

What happens when you join the circus? Hear all about it from Joseph Hodges! As a graduate of the Ringling Bros, Barnum and Bailey Clown College, he tells his journey to becoming a clown with the Greatest Show on Earth! He has been entertaining and making children of all ages smile since 1982. Hear the backstage story and watch as Joseph turns into his clown character Wilbur T. Bottoms— Clown Extraordinaire!

Bartholomew the Friendly Dragon Jul 20 | Tue | 2-2:45p

Families



Held at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta

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Native American Water Wonders Jul 27 | Tue | 2-2:45p Families



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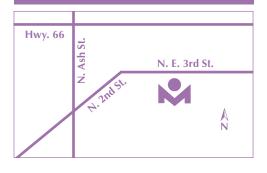
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Luther Library

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

HOURS

Mon - Thur: 9:30-6 Fr Sun: Closed



Toby's Timeless Twisted Tales Jul 2 | Fri | 2-2:45p arts Families & Centertainment

Toby Tobin, an original Lucky Penny Player has been entertaining children of all ages for more than 30 years! Come hear her tell some timelessly twisted tails and I dare you not to smile. Tales are told that kids can interact with and help with sounds and motions. A program that proves that storytime can be fun for kids and parents alike!

Coffee Break Jul 6 | Mon | 9:30a-10:30a Adults

Come by for a cup of coffee and light refreshment and see what book we are featuring this week.

Farmers Tea Jul 8 | Thur | 2-3p Adults

Come by and relax with a glass of tea and snack. Then browse the shelves to see what new books we have.

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Quilting and Sewing Jul 19 | Mon | 10a-4:30p Adults

Come and enjoy the fellowship and learn to quilt and sew.

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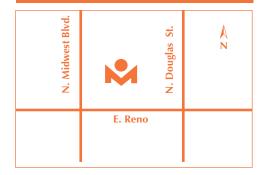
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Midwest City Library

405) 732-4828

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

Sat: 9-5 Sun: 1-6



Oklahoma Herpetological Society Jul 1 | Thur | 7-9p All ages

Join the Oklahoma City Herpetological Society for their regular meetings at the Library. All are welcome!!

Wii While You Wait Jul 6,13,20,27| Tue | 9a-Noon

Adults Every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. adults have the opportunity to strengthen their video gaming skills. No registration required.

Tuesday Morning Movie Club Jul 6,13,20,27 | Tue | 10a-Noon All ages

Join us for popcorn and 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.

Basic Japanese Class Jul 6,13,20,27 Tue | 6-7:15p All ages



Learn how to speak, write and understand basic Japanese with Jun Orikasa. This class and all materials are free. To attend, please register at 405-732-4828 or contact the Information Desk.

Parachute Play Jul 7 | Wed | 10:30-11a Ages 3-6 with parents



Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice such skills as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play. Class size is limited to 20. Call 425-4412 to register and for more information. Cosponsor: OCCHD.

2010 Summer at the Extensions

Make a Splash—Hey, "Water" you waiting for? Summer Reading at the Extensions means free family fun and great prizes that kids and teens can earn when they read. Even the youngest kids can earn prizes for being read to.

July 6-9	Andrea's Story Circle
July 13-16	Clownin' Around
July 20-23	Bartholomew the Friendly Dragon
July 27-30	Native American Waters Wonders

Tuesday, 2pm at Jones Community Center, 120 W. Atlanta in Jones (one block north and one block west of Jones Library), 399-6571

Thursday, 2pm at Wright Library, 2101 NE Exchange, 235-5035

Friday, 2pm at Luther Library, 310 NE 3rd in Luther, 277-9967

For general information call 606-3836, and for information about all Summer at the Library programs, visit our website, www.metrolibrary.org.



Toddlers at the Table Jul 12 | Mon | 6-7p Parents and caregivers of young children



Toddlers are learning to navigate their world, communicate, and exert control over aspects of their lives. Many toddlers express their budding independence through eating - or not eating. We will discuss how you can turn common concerns about your toddler's eating into opportunities to teach healthy eating habits. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

Rhythmically Speaking Presents: At the Water Hole

Jul 12 | Mon | 7-8p and 10:30-11:30a All ages

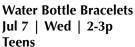


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Martha Stallings Jul 13 | Tue 6:30-7:30p All ages



Come to the Midwest City Library and enjoy the tantalizing sounds of vocalist/keyboardist Martha Stallings. This program is free and available to the public. The performance will be held in the lobby area.





Jul 7 | Wed | 2-3p Teens Water bottles never looked so good !! Learn

how to make water bottle bracelets with Michele Smith at the library. Space is limited. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Science Museum: Mad Scientist's Lab Jul 8 | Thur | 3-4p All ages

Just what does it take to make bubbly, smoky, crazy chemical concoctions that turn heads and make everybody wonder? How does water disappear or change strange colors? In this fun-filled hour, we'll mix, mash and create with chemistry to discover just what it takes to be a mad scientist.

Skateboarding Jul 8 | Thur | 6-8p Teens



Learn about extreme sports and watch a live skateboarding demo by local skaters!

Alive @ 25 Jul 10 | Sat | 1-5p Teens



The Library, in partnership with the Midwest City Police Department, presents this free program to help young adults and teens drive safely. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Rubber Stamping with Alison Anderson Jul 10 | Sat | 1-3p Teens and adults

The rubber stamp industry is growing!! Individuals are learning creative ways to express their thoughts and ideas through rubber stamping. Learn how to bounce into the rubber stamping with Alison Anderson, demonstrator from Stamp it Up!!. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828.

Community Quilting with Soldier Creek Quilting Group Jul 12,19,26 | 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. Co-sponsor: Soldier Creek Quilting Group

Job Readiness Class Jul 12 | Mon | 4-5p Adults

Looking for employment and need to update your resume? If so, please attend the Midwest City Library's Job Readiness Class. In addition to resume writing, participants learn interviewing skills and other techniques necessary for today's competitive job market. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Rose College Job Placement.

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Children Reading to Dogs Jul 13,27 | Tue 7-7:30p



Children who can read

Read to a specially trained dog who loves to hear a good book! The dogs particularly enjoy hearing one of the dog stories we will have, but you can bring your own book too. 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. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up. Co-sponsor: Creatures & Kids.

Beaded Wind Catcher Jul 14 | Wed | 2-3p All ages

Make wind catchers that have flare!!! To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 732-4828.

Crafts with Alison Jul 14 | Wed | 3-4p Children of all ages

Come to the library for a fun craft activity with local artist, Alison Harris. Please sign-up in advance, so we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone. Register at the Information Desk or by calling 732-4828

You Can Go 2 Jul 14 | Wed | 6:30-7:30p All ages

Need money for college? Come see the FAFSA in action! Learn about the financial aid process including applying for grants and scholarships, understanding financial aid lingo and filling out the FAFSA online. Ask questions and get answers from the experts at the Oklahoma Guaranteed Student Loan Program (OGSLP), the state-designated student loan guarantor. Program is free; food provided. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: OK State Regents for Higher Education.

AAA Motor Vehicle Crash Prevention Course Jul 17 | 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. Co-sponsor: AAA Motor Vehicle.

Learning About Solar Energy Jul 17 | Sat | 1-3p All ages

How hot are solar energy properties? The Midwest City Library will host a Sustainable Eastern Oklahoma County (SEOC) Alternative Energy Panel discussion. Several panel members will facilitate a discussion to warm the hearts of novices and experts alike in solar energy applications, implementation, and government policies from sustainable perspectives. Bring your burning questions to our panel of experts ranging from providers to policy makers to owners in this audience. This program, a question and answer style discussion, is free and open to the public. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: SEOC, a local chapter of OSN (Oklahoma Sustainability Network).

Sketch to Screen Jul 19 | Mon | 1-2p Teens



Learn how to create Design and Go Costumes using large butcher paper, tissue paper, etc, to fashion one time costumes. This program is a great for creative minds that want to make a statement. This program is free. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City Museum of Arts.

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Midwest City Readers' Society Jul 20 | Tue | 10a-Noon 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.

Family Craft Night Jul 20 | Tue | 6:30-8p All ages



Come to the library for a fun evening of craft activities. We will have several craft stations set up with activities for all ages and skill levels. Please sign-up in advance, so we can make sure we have enough supplies for everyone. Register at the Information Desk or by calling 732-4828.

Lego Robotics Jul 21 | Wed | 10a-Noon Teens



Lego Robotics is back at the Midwest City Library. To attend, please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: OSU-OKC Extension.

Allegiance Lunch and Learn Jul 22 | Thur | 12:30-1:30p All ages

Learn about investing basics from Allegiance Credit Union. Participants will learn how to: set investment goals, determine your attitude toward risk, choose among types of investments, use tools to minimize risk, build your own investment portfolio, avoid investment mistakes, select an investment adviser and get help if you need it. This program is free and lunch will be served. To attend please register at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: Allegiance Credit Union.

Kid's Video Game Party Jul 22 | Thur | 3-5p Ages 6-12

Calling all kids. Come to the library for an afternoon of video gaming. We will have Nintendo Wii, Playstation 2 and Gamecube. All games are rated E or E10+. Registration is required. Call 732-4828 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

An Introduction to Keeping Snakes as Pets Jul 24 | Sat | 10a-Noon All ages

Parents...are your kids interested in snakes as pets but you're not comfortable with the idea? If yes, please attend this wonderful class taught by Larry Daniel, President of the OKC Herpetological Society. Registration is required at the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: OKC Herpetological Society.

Stilling the Mind for Peace, Fulfillment, and Success Jul 24 | Sat | 2-3p

Adults

Most people habitually think incessantly throughout their lives, never pausing to fully experience the present moment. In this lecture we discuss methods for cutting through the busy brain chatter to create the empty mental space to facilitate real creativity, deep inner peace, genuine interpersonal connection, and the experience of the most wonderful and exciting moment that has ever been—the Here and Now. Attend this lecture to experience, if even briefly, a still mind moment. To register, please contact the Information Desk or call 405-732-4828. Co-sponsor: OKC School of Metaphysics.

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Chess Club Jul 31 | Sat | 11:30a-1p and 2-5p All ages Let's play chess!

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International Women's Aglow of Choctaw Jul 10 | Sat | 9:40a-Noon Adults

The interdenominational International Women's Aglow of Choctaw meets every second Saturday. Inspirational speakers, fellowship and refreshments. For more information, please call: 371-7316 or 677-8909.

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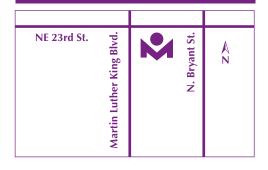
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Under the Sea Printmaking Jul 7 | Wed | 3:30-5p Teens



Learn basic printmaking by scratching on foam, rolling ink, and printing on paper. Turn your prints into personalized artist trading cards to share with your friends! Supplies provided. Taught by local artist Erin Oldfield. Pre-register.

Toastmasters Jul 7,14,21,28 | Wed | 6-7p Adults

Toastmasters International provides a way to practice & hone the communication & leadership skills of it members.

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children & FAMILIES

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Poetry Contest Celebration Jul 12 | Mon | 6-7:30p All ages

Awards, celebration of winners, food and fun all in the name of poetry. Winners of April contest will be invited and SOUP.

Preschool Story Time Jul 13,27 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 3-5



For all children ages 3-5, join us for story time. There will be songs, fingerplays, puppets, occasional crafts and special stories. Please preregister, or call 424-1437.

Cards for Oklahoma Troops Jul 14,21 | Wed | 2-4p All ages

Come by Ralph Ellison anytime from 2:00-4:00 on July 14th or 21st and we will provide materials to make a card to show our appreciation for our Oklahoma Troops overseas.

School Age Summer Fun Jul 15 | Thur | 1-2p Elementary age

Make something fun with Savannah Mitchell. Hands on activity for summer fun join us. Call 424-1437 to register.

Teen Book Club Jul 15 | Thur | 5-6p Ages 14-18



Published authors share knowledge and love of books and writing with teens. Please call to register 424-1437.

Teen Chess Club Jul 17,31 | Sat | 2-4p Ages 10-16



Teens join us and learn to play the mindbending game of chess. Call 424-1437 to register.

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Jul 19 | Mon 10:30-11:30a All ages



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Family Night: Reading to End Racism Jul 20 | Tue | 6-7:30p All ages

YWCA and Ralph Ellison Library will present reading and hands on activities for families to enjoy together. Activities encourage the appreciation of diversity. Co-sponsor: YWCA and Respect Diversity Foundation.

Create Your Own Masterpiece with Charcoal and Paint Jul 21 | Wed | 5-7p Ages 12-18



Artist Joyce Jackson will instruct teens in this hands-on program. Teens can create art with charcoal and paint. Everyone will leave with their own masterpiece!

Science Museum Oklahoma Jul 22 | Thur | 1-2p Elementary School Age

Join Science Museum of Oklahoma, for great fun with water. Water cover 3/4 of the Earth's surface and water is weird! Be warned, you may never look at water the same again. Registration requires. 424-1437.

Science Museum Oklahoma Jul 22 | Thur | 3:30-4:30p Teens 13 yrs & older

Water covers around ³⁄₄ of the earth's surface. But don't let its abundance fool you. Water is weird! From water that explodes, to supercooled water that crystallizes before your eyes, water is more than a thirst quencher. Be warned, you may never look at water the same again.

Children's Metro Music Fest Presents: Farmer Jason

Jul 26 | Mon 10:30-11:30a All ages



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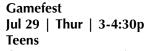
S.O.U.P.-Open Mic Poetry Night Jul 26 | Mon | 6:30-7:30p Adults

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

Science of the Human Body Jul 29 | Thur | 1-2p arts Elementary school age



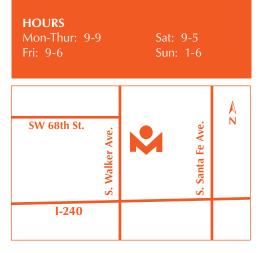
Impolite Science of the Human body splats, oozes and bursts into life in this entertaining look at the way the body works. It may be icky, stinky, slimy or gross. What fun! Call 424-1437 to register.





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Stray Sock Sewing Jul 1 | Thur 10:30a-12:30p Teens



Make quirky one-of-a-kind creatures from random socks. Whether you sew one that's weird, odd-looking, or just totally adorable, they'll all be cuddly and fun. Supplies provided, or bring your own stray socks after the washer or dryer eats the other one. Taught by local artist Savannah Mitchell. Pre-register.

Score Small Business Counseling Jul 2,16 | Fri | 10a-1p Adults

If you are interested in starting a new business or are a business owner in need of assistance, counseling is available the first and third Friday of the month. The service of Retired Executives (SCORE) will offer free confidential assistance for potential small business owners. Call 631-4468 for more information or sign up at the Reference Desk. Co-sponsor: Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE).

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa 🗾

Jul 6 | Tue | 3-4p All ages



Come hear the fascinating folktales of Asia and Africa told by the Japanese natives, Motoko Dworkin and Eshu! Admission by free ticket. Tickets will be handed out starting one hour before the program. Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Look Out I'm Three Jul 7 | Wed | 6-7:30p Parents and caregivers of young children



Learn more about your terrific three year old child. This workshop will focus on the developmental milestones of three year olds. Bring your questions with you! Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Please call Child Guidance at 425-4412 to register for the free workshop. Co-Sponsor: OCCHD.

School Skills Jul 8,22 | Thur | 10:30a-Noon Grades 1-5

High school and college students will be available to play literacy games or read with young people. Call 631-4468 to pre-register.

Parachute Play Jul 9 | Fri | 10:30-11a Kids ages 3-6 with a parent/adult



Playing games with a parachute, children will have the opportunity to practice such skills as following directions, socializing with others, using language, using small and large muscles, and remaining in control during very active play, and it's loads of fun! Sign up is required. Call 425-4412 to preregister and to receive more information. Facilitated by Cheryl Custer and Tracy Goebel. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma City-County Health Dept.

Science Museum Oklahoma 🕌 Jul 12 | Mon |11a-Noon Teens



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Southern Oaks Book Club Jul 13 | Tue | 11:30a-12:30p Adults

If you enjoy reading and discussing books, come to the Southern Oaks Library the second Tuesday of each month for our book club. New members are always welcome. Call 631-4468 to reserve your copy of the current book selection.

Rhythmically Speaking **Presents: At the Water Hole**

Jul 13 | Tue | 3-4p All ages



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Anime Jul 14 | Wed | 6:30-8:30p Ages 14 & older



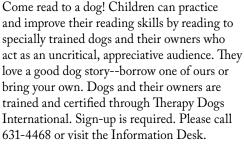
The Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club will be screening FUNimation screening reels, feature films and other anime titles. Call 631-4468 for more information. Snacks will be provided. Co-sponsor: Scarlet Kitsune Anime Club.

Under the Sea Printmaking Jul 15 | Thur | 3-4:30p Teens



Learn basic printmaking by scratching on foam, rolling ink, and printing on paper. Turn your prints into personalized artist trading cards to share with your friends! Supplies provided. Taught by local artist Erin Oldfield. Pre-register.

Children Reading to Dogs Jul 17 | Sat | 10-11a Jul 27 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Children who can read



Make & Take Crafts for Preschoolers Jul 19 | Mon | 10:30-11:15a Ages 2-6



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Bring your preschooler to the library to make some simple arts & crafts. By engaging in craft activities, children develop fine motor coordination, listening skills, and the ability to follow single and multi-step directions. In addition, craft programs provide children with the opportunity to express their interests, ideas, and tastes. Sign up is required. Call 631-4468 or visit the Information Desk to sign up.

Lego Robots Jul 19 | Mon | 1-3:30p Teens



This class is an exciting introduction to the LEGO Mindstorms Robotics Invention System. Learn mechanical design, construction, programming & teamwork skills. In pairs, using LEGO building elements, motors & sensors, students build different robots & program them to move, react & make sounds to solve challenges. This class is a good introduction for teens interested in robotics competitions. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma County 4-H.

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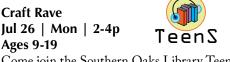
"Under the Sea" Painting for Kids Jul 21 | Wed | 3-4p Kids ages 7-12

Join Oklahoma artist Savannah Mitchell to create your own "Under the Sea" painting. Children will learn about an art style called alebrijes and create their own colorful "under the sea" painting. Pre-registration is required. Call 631-4468 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

Zuzu's Petals: Music Play Jul 26 | Mon | 10:30-11:10a For families (Target age group: Infant to 6 Yrs.



Come enjoy the fluid sweet sounds of violin and guitar provided by ZuZu's Petals. These performers enjoy doing children's shows of nursery rhymes and sing-a-longs. Your preschooler will have a chance to get up and move...the shows are a big hit. Target age group is younger children, but older siblings are also welcome. Please sign up by calling 631-4468 or stop by the Information Desk.



Come join the Southern Oaks Library Teen



Advisory Board for a craft soirée like no other!!! Make jewelry, wildflower grenades, and more. Call 631-4468 to pre-register or for more information. Co-sponsor: Southern Oaks Library Teen Advisory Board.

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Comic to Movie Matinee Jul 28 | Wed | 11a-2p Ages 13 and older



Comic book movies are becoming more popular every day. Matthew Price, owner of Speeding Bullet Comics and film reviewer for the Oklahoman, will introduce a movie based on a comic book.

Image Transferring: Putting Drawings onto Canvas Jul 29 | Thur | 7-8:30p Teens & young adults



University of Oklahoma student Erin Schalk will teach a fun and educational workshop in Image transfer using photocopies and craft supplies.

Gamefest Jul 31 | Sat | Noon-3p Teens



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Oklahoma Children's Theatre Presents: Old MacDonald Had a Farm Jul 1 | Thur | 1-2p arts & entertainment All ages

Old MacDonald had a farm and on that farm he had ... five little ducks went out one day... to see the farmer in the Dell...who watched as Itsy Bitsy Spider climbed up the garden wall... Your preschooler will sing, dance, wiggle and jiggle as all your favorite farm and animal songs and rhymes are performed by one and all! Co-sponsor: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, National Endowment for the Arts.

Children Reading to Dogs Jul 1,8,15,22,29 | Thur 2:30-3:30p Jul 7,14,21,28 | Wed 6:15-7p

Children who can read

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! Bring your own book or borrow one from us!

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Under the Sea Wood Paintings Jul 7 | Wed | 1-2p Ages 5-12

Join Oklahoma artist Savannah Mitchell to create your own Under the Sea wood painting. Children will learn about art styles from around the world and create their own colorful sea paintings. Class size is limited, so please call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

Motoko Dworkin and Eshu Presents: Folktales from Asia & Africa 📃 Jul 8 | Thur | 1-2p arts





Come hear the fascinating folktales of Asia and Africa told by the Japanese natives, Motoko

Dworkin and Eshu! Co-sponsors: Arts Council of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Arts Council, & National Endowment for the Arts.

Preschool Storytime Jul 13 | Tue | 10-10:30a Ages 2-5 with adult



Come and join us for stories, games, and crafts with our summer reading theme!

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Go! Chinese Board Game Jul 15 | Thur | 4-5:30p Teens



Go is a fascinating board game from ancient China, played by millions of people in the US, Europe, Japan, China, Taiwan, and Korea. It's more popular in Asia than chess is in the west! Whether you're a total newbie or a grand master, you'll have fun learning and playing at this event. Please call 755-0710 to register. Co-sponsor: Oklahoma Go Players Association.

Introduction to PowerPoint Jul 17 | Sat | 10-11:30a Adults



Free computer class for adults! Learn to create PowerPoint productions for teaching, sales presentations, or presentations to groups or clubs. Come in or call to sign up. Village Library (405) 755-0710.

Gamefest Jul 17 | Sat | 1-4p Teens



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Book Discussion Group Jul 19 | Mon | 3-4p Adults

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.

Mystery of Davy Jones's Locker Jul 21 | Wed | 1-2p Ages 5-12



Oklahoma's only Storytelling Magician, Michael Corley, will bring the audience to the depths of the Seven Seas! From legendary scoundrels like Blackbeard, to pirates that gave up their gold for love, as a Master Storyteller Michael will tell the tales that excite children and help them learn about myths and legends of the deep! So get ready to heave ho and set sail for adventure! Learning about water and the seas was never so much fun! Please call 755-0710 to register, or stop by the Information Desk.

Toddlers at the Table Jul 21 | Wed | 6-7p Parents and caregivers of young children



Toddlers are learning to navigate their world, communicate, and exert control over aspects of their lives. Many toddlers express their budding independence through eating-or not eating. We will discuss how you can turn common concerns about your toddler's eating into opportunities to teach healthy eating habits. Co-sponsor: OCCHD.

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Knitty Committee Jul 24 | Sat | 10-11a Adults

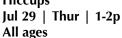
Interested in knitting or learning how to knit? Join the Knitty Committee on the 4th Saturday. Bring your yarn and join the fun.

Science Museum: CSI Jul 28 | Wed | 2-3p Teens



DNA profiling, fingerprint and handwriting analysis, ballistics' breakdown-all in a day's work for a crime scene investigator. Learn about the science behind your favorite CSI television shows. Want to find out who keeps using your toothbrush? Arm yourself with a microscope, a set of latex gloves, and your attention to detail to solve this and many more crimes. Presented by Science Museum Oklahoma. Class size is limited, so please call 755-0710 or stop by the Information Desk to register.

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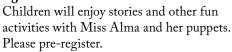


Act-A-Story: Animal Stories Jul 1 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6-11

Children will enjoy making animal costume and props and then act out "The Baby BeeBee Bird" by Diane Massie. Please pre-register.

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Storytime for Preschoolers Jul 6 & 20 | Tue 10:30-11:15a Ages 2 1/2 to 5



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Paint Fish and Sea Scenes Jul 8 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6-11

Children will paint colorful fish and sea scenes to take home. Supplies provided. Pre-register.

Kid's Saturday Video Games Jul 10 | Sat | 10:30-11:30a

Ages 8-11

Join us for games in our meeting room. Sign up today.

Warr Acres Book Club Jul 12 | Mon | 11a-Noon Adults

The Warr Acres Library Book Club meets the second Monday of each month. We will be discussing The Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards.

Playtime for Babies and Tots Jul 14,21,28 | Wed 9:15-10a and 10:30-11:15a



8 to 30 months old w/adult

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

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Craft Club: Paper Airplanes, Part 2 Jul 15 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6-11

We will build serious and simple paper airplanes in this second session. Supplies are provided. Bring a paper sack or box to carry your airplanes home. Pre-register.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Gamefest Jul 15 | Thur | 6:30-8p Teens



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LEGO Club @ Your Library Jul 22 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6 years and older

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

Anime Underwater Jul 22 | Thur | 6:30-8p Ages 12-18



Draw and paint your favorite Anime characters. Artist Alex Brodt will add watercolor techniques to this creative class. Please call ahead to register. 721-2616

Pizza & Board Games Jul 24 | Sat | 6:30-8p Ages 12-17



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Attention!! A Scrabble Challenge!! Conquer the librarian and receive a prize. Show your ingenuity with other board games, too! Please register, so we can order enough pizza.

Those Playful Preschoolers Workshop Jul 27 | Tue | 3:30-5p Adults

Preschool aged children are active, loving and talkative. We'll discuss behavioral characteristics and developmental milestones of 3-and-4-year-olds. We'll also bring along activity ideas to keep those hands, feet and minds busy. Come and learn that it's okay for your preschooler to be "out of bounds." Please call 425-4412 to register. Free of Charge. No child care provided.

Pajama Story Time Jul 27 | Tue | 6:30-7:30p Ages 2 1/2 - 5

Children may wear their pajamas. Everyone will enjoy stories, puppets and snacks. Please call 721-2616 to sign up.

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Hiccups Jul 28 | Wed | 2-3p All ages



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Act-A-Story: Lionni Stories and Party Jul 29 | Thur | 10:30-11:30a Ages 6-11

Children will enjoy animal stories by Lionni, crafts and acting. There will be a party at the end. Please pre-register.

Science Museum Oklahoma Grossology Jul 29 | Thur | 6-9p Teens



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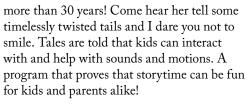
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Toby's Timeless Twisted Tales Jul 1 | Thur | 2-2:45p arts & entertainment Families

Toby Tobin, an original Lucky Penny Player has been entertaining children of all ages for



Andrea's Story Circle Jul 8 | Thur | 2-2:45p Families



Andrea from the Oklahoma Climatological Survey brings her child-safe weather stories to life. We may hear about lightning safety in the Adventures of Rabbit, Possum and Squirrel or unusual weather events in Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs. Come, see for yourself!

Clownin' Around Jul 15 | Thur | 2-2:45p Families



What happens when you join the circus? Hear all about it from Joseph Hodges! As a graduate of the Ringling Bros, Barnum and Bailey Clown College, he tells his journey to becoming a clown with the Greatest Show on Earth! He has been entertaining and making children of all ages smile since 1982. Hear the backstage story and watch as Joseph turns into his clown character Wilbur T. Bottoms Clown Extraordinaire!

Bartholomew the Friendly Dragon

Jul 22 | Thur | 2-2:45p Families



Freddy is a little bit spoiled having grown up with every wish fulfilled and every modern convenience. He has everything he wantsalmost everything. The tide turns for Freddy while he is on vacation with his family-Freddy becomes lost at sea! His adventure forces him to employ his imagination, but luck is on his side when he encounters an old forgotten friend. Join us for a whimsical watery wonder!

Native American Water Wonders Jul 29 | Thur | 2-2:45p Families



Greg Rodgers presents fun and engaging traditional Choctaw and other Native tales that highlight the all-important relationships between water and all living things. Greg uses songs and traditional instruments to illustrate the beauty of nature. His stories may include the Lakota Mud Pony story, Old Man Coyote and the Creation of the World (Cheyenne) as well as others. Listen, learn.

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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 read? Here are two favorite books as selected by MLS staff.

Broadwater, Jeff. *George Mason: Forgotten Founder*. 973.3092/M3991b/BIOGRAPHY

Jefferson, Madison, Franklin, Washington—we know the names of the Founding Fathers and at least a little about their lives. But for some reason, some of the leading thinkers of the Revolutionary War are consistently overlooked. George Mason refused to sign the Constitution because it lacked a strong statement of states and individual rights. His nagging resulted in the Bill of Rights, based on the Virginia Declaration of Rights that Mason had drafted in 1776. He deserves remembrance.

Miller, Melanie Randolph. *An Incautious Man: The Life of Gouverneur Morris*.

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Gouverneur Morris is another "forgotten" founder—so obscure most of us don't even know how to pronounce his name. But Morris was at one time known as the "Penman of the Constitution." These are his words—see if they sound familiar to you: "We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union ..." That's him. Melanie Miller gives him his due in this fine biography.

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