

Library News

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Library Hours

9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday & Saturday

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sunday

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ROOTS OF ROCK & ROLL

July 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Musician Joey Leone takes us through the early years of rock and roll, focusing on the life, influence, and music of pioneers like Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly, Elvis Presley, Bo Diddley, and Little Richard. Experience the advent and evolution of rock and roll through songs, stories, and historic events as it gained widespread appeal and influenced American music and popular culture for decades to come.

A lifelong career musician, Joey Leone has toured and recorded as a guitar player for many high profile artists including Etta James, The Coasters, Sam & Dave, Wilson Pickett, Chaka Khan, Joe Perry, and many more. Joey truly believes in the unifying and healing power of music which comes through during this inspiring and delightful program.



WHAT'S NEW?

The second half of summer reading is here. Join us for arts and crafts, live music, historical presentations, and more.

Our virtual author talk series is focused on K-12 writers of beloved books. Join us for one of our live watch parties to hear directly from the authors. Find the watch party schedule in this newsletter and on our online calendar.

We are hosting several pre-Chautauqua events, including two presentations by Humanities Nebraska speakers.

Fun youth events include trivia, coding for kids, and piñata-making. All events are free.

Our family fun Friday entertainment concludes on July 19. Don't miss out on the live performance by popular children's band, The Stringbeans.

Adults can get crafty with our book folding workshop or at our MakerSpace demo day. Find the details on both in this newsletter.

Happy reading!



AUTHOR TALK WATCH PARTIES

Free virtual discussions with acclaimed authors—watch live at the library

Our online author talks summer series puts the spotlight on K-12 authors. This month, we will be hosting watch parties for the four author interviews. No need to register—simply join us in the activity room to watch these engaging interviews.

Feel like watching from home? Register and watch from anywhere! The talks are recorded, so if you miss the live event, you can watch a recording later. To see upcoming talks and to register for the event link, visit our Digital Library on our website and click on “Author Talks.”

Kate DiCamillo, *Mercy Watson Series (PreK-2nd Grade)*

Tuesday, July 9th at 1 p.m.

Join us for a visit to Deckawoo Drive with everyone's favorite adventure-loving pig, Mercy Watson

Max Brallier, *The Last Kids on Earth (3rd-6th Grade)*

Tuesday, July 16th at 1 p.m.

Would you survive a zombie apocalypse? Join us to talk with *New York Times* bestselling author Max Brallier about *The Last Kids on Earth*.

Elizabeth Acevedo, *The Poet X (9th-12th)*

Tuesday, July 23rd at 1 p.m.

You're invited to learn about the power of poetry with Elizabeth Acevedo!

Dan Santat, *A First Time for Everything (5th-8th Grade)*

Tuesday, July 30th at 1 p.m.

Join this year's winner of the National Book Award for Young People's Literature, Dan Santat, as he inspires tweens and teens to tell their own stories through graphic novels.



GET READY FOR CHAUTAUQUA

Events leading up to August's Chautauqua



Nebraska Chautauqua is August 2 & 3 in Norfolk! The festival will include family-friendly events, engaging workshops, and Chautauqua-style presentations that allow audience members to interact with historic figures. Get ready with these events sponsored by Humanities Nebraska.

Fight Against Slavery on the Great Plains: Nebraska's Underground Railroad

July 9 at 6:30 p.m.

Learn about the issue of slavery in the U.S. during the 1850s, the controversy surrounding the Kansas-Nebraska Act, and how the issue affected people moving to the Nebraska Territory. Discover how the Underground Railroad formed in Nebraska. You'll find out about specific sites in Nebraska where escaping enslaved persons most likely found refuge on their journey north to freedom.

The Plains Tribes and the Homestead Act

July 23 at 6:30 p.m.

While many tribes inhabited the immense tract of land called The Great Plains, interacting with their environment, neighboring tribes, and even European explorers and trappers for centuries, the two decades prior to the American Civil War and the two decades following the Civil War brought tremendous changes due to increased tensions in the East and legislation enacted in Washington – the Homestead Act of 1862.

Chautauqua Book Discussion

July 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of Taylor Keen's new book, *Rediscovering Turtle Island: A First Peoples' Account of the Sacred Geography of America*. Copies of the book will be available for checkout at the Service Desk beginning July 1 while supplies last.



Youth Reading Circle and Companion Films

The Youth Reading Circle and Companion Film series consists of three book discussions held in the morning at 10:00 a.m. and three film adaptations to be viewed in the afternoon at 4 p.m. on three consecutive Wednesdays, geared to youth ages 8 to 12. Each session will be unique and led by Karen Drevo. Each of the books represents a century in American History. Book groups and movie showings will be held at the Norfolk Arts Center. Books will be available for checkout at the Norfolk Public Library one week prior to the event. You must have a library card to check out a book.

July 17 at 10 a.m. - Book #1 - *Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare represents the 18th century and will include a short presentation by a representative of Nebraska Game and Parks Commission to discuss the biology and present-day status of the Nebraska beaver population. (60 minutes)

July 24 at 10 a.m. - Book #2 - *Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan represents the 19th century and will be read aloud by Karen Drevo, Renee McClymont, Kate Trindle, and any student who chooses to read. (90 minutes)

July 31 at 10 a.m. - Book #3 - *Souder* by William H. Armstrong depicts the 20th century. It will be accompanied by foods described in the book and eaten often by the characters. (60 minutes)

Each book has an accompanying film that will be viewed at 4 p.m. on the same day and discussion will compare the film adaptation of the book. Anyone is welcome at the movie showing. You do not have to participate in the book discussion to attend.

NOTEWORTHY



CODING FOR KIDS

Classes for beginners and next-level learners

Does your child have an interest in building apps or coding websites? Sign them up for one of our coding classes made specifically for kids. Seating is limited, so registration is required. There are two dates for each level of coding class. Choose the one that fits your schedule. Free!

Beginners Coding for Kids

For ages 8 and up. Learn to code an app using Scratch for drag-and-drop coding.

July 25: 9:30-10:30 a.m. *OR* August 1: 1-2 p.m.

Next Level Coding for Kids

Designed for ages 10 and up. Kids will learn how to design an interactive website using HTML CSS, and JavaScript. Students should be comfortable with typing and computer basics.

July 23: 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. *OR* July 30: 1-3 p.m.

TWEEN ART: BUILD A PIÑATA

Two-day event on July 11th and 18th



Tweens are invited to build paper mâché piñatas at a two-session event. On day 1, we will build. At the second session, we will decorate. All materials provided (except the candy/filler). Free! Recommended for ages 8-12. Tweens must be able to attend both sessions to participate.

July 11 and July 18 from 1-2 p.m.

ADVENTURE-THEMED TRIVIA

July 9 at 2 p.m.

Kids ages 6 to 18 are invited to join the Youth Librarians for an hour of fun trivia questions. Come alone or with a group of friends or family. No registration necessary.

TEENS BREAK THE RECORD!

July 10 at 3:30 p.m.

Have you always wanted to break a World Record? Join us outside, weather permitting, and try your skills at one of our activities. Bragging rights are the prizes! For teens ages 13-17. In the case of poor weather, we will be in the Activity Room.



MAKERSPACE DEMO DAY

July 12

Drop in for this open house-style demonstration of the Cricut's print-then-cut sticker feature. Stay for a hands-on, 15-minute demonstration and leave with a sticker. No prior experience necessary. For ages 16+. Free. All supplies provided while they last!



BOOK FOLDING WORKSHOP

July 16 at 2 p.m.

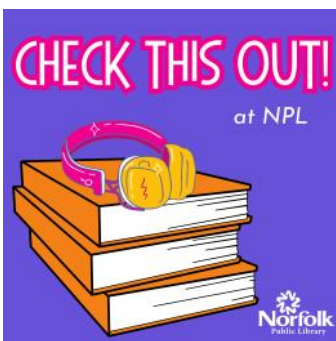
Join us for our Book Folding Workshop, where you will learn the art of folding pages within a book to create a 3D image. Book folding instruction will be held 2-3 p.m. with workshop and project assistance from 3-5 p.m. Participants are welcome to leave after instruction and finish their project later or stay for the remainder of the time. Please note, work time will be quiet and

participants are welcome to bring headphones for use as they complete their project. Registration is required. Free! All materials and refreshments will be provided.

KANOPY

Expanded video library

Exciting changes for Kanopy users! You now have access to more current and favorite movies and shows than before. There is no charge to stream using your library card. Make a free Kanopy account, search, and then stream! Visit our Digital Library on the website to find the Kanopy link to get started.



CHECK THIS OUT

Weekly library podcast

Listen to our new podcast *Check This Out!* where we talk about all things books, movies, music, and go behind the scenes of the library! Find it wherever you normally find your podcasts. New episodes are released weekly through July 22.

CHECK IT OUT!

Recent Acquisitions

Stop in to see what else is new!

Juvenile Spanish



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CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST

Entries due July 12

Our creative writing contest is for ages 8 and up, with prizes awarded in children's, teen, and adult age groups. Write and submit a typewritten original piece using an adventure theme. It can be any form (poetry, story, etc.) but must be less than 1,200 words. Pick up an entry form at the library!



FREE ADULT PROGRAMS

Newcomers are always welcome!

KNOT JUST KNITTERS: Saturdays, July 6 & 20, at 2:30 p.m. This is a fun and friendly group for knitters, crocheters, weavers, and handwork enthusiasts. Bring a project to work on and enjoy learning from each other and making new friends. Meets in the Activity Room.

CREATIVE COLORING FOR ADULTS: Enjoy an hour of relaxing coloring every Monday at 2:00 p.m. The library provides colored pencils, coloring pages, and books. This program is open to adults of all abilities. Meets in Meeting Room A.

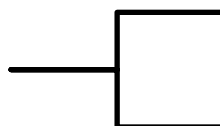
TUESDAY NIGHT READS: July 16 at 6:30 p.m. For adults, contact Anneka at 402-844-2100 for more information. This month's title is *Maus: A Survivor's Tale* by Art Spiegelman.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB: July 31 at 10:00 a.m. For adults, contact Whitney at 402-844-2100 for more information. Meets in the Activity Room. This month's book is *Dear Edward* by Ann Napolitano.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR TALKS: Free monthly author talks featuring bestselling, award-winning, and acclaimed authors from around the world. This month features Kate DiCamillo, Max Brallier, Elizabeth Acevedo, and Dan Santat. See the online event calendar to register for a session and send questions to the author.

TECH TUTORING: Get personalized, individual help to learn how computers and technology work. Schedule a session by contacting Mike at 402-844-2100.

OUTREACH: The library will deliver library materials to patrons whose health or disability prevents them from visiting the library. If you are interested in this service for yourself or a loved one, please contact our Outreach Coordinator, Lenaya, at 402-844-2100.



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INDEPENDENCE DAY CLOSURE

July 4

The library will be closed on Thursday, July 4, for Independence Day. The drive-up book return is open at all times. You can access your account 24/7 via our website, and our digital library services are always available. We will reopen on Friday, July 5, at 9 a.m.



FREE YOUTH PROGRAMS

STORYTIME: Infants through age 8 are invited to enjoy a fun combination of books, songs, Spanish language experiences, storytelling, puppets, and creative early language and literacy activities. Storytime is a great introduction to library visits and literary experiences. Meets on Mondays at 10 a.m. in the library and on Thursdays at 10 a.m. in a local park, weather permitting. Check our online schedule for park details.

TEEN BOOK CLUB: Thursday, July 11 at 5:15 p.m. Teen Book Club is for any teenager who loves to read and talk about books. Group members select what books they want to read. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jessie in the Youth Services Department at 402-844-2100 or jroberts@norfolkne.gov for more information. This month's book is *Everland* by Wendy Spinale. Meets in the Youth Activity Room.

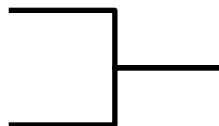
COLORING FOR KIDS: *Will return next school year!* For ages 6-15. Come relax and color using the provided materials! Meets in the Youth Activity Room.

LEGO® TIME: *Will return next school year!* For those in kindergarten through 6th grade, this is a fun and creative opportunity to build imaginative, new projects using the library's LEGO® collection. Come see our new bricks, figures, and accessories recently added to the collection. *Meets in Meeting Room A.*

GOLDEN SOWER BOOK CLUB: Monday, July 22, at 4:00 p.m. This is a book club for ages 8-12 whose reading selections come from titles nominated for the Golden Sower Award, Nebraska's Children's Choice Literary Award. All books are provided by the library, and newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jessie in the Youth Services Department at 402-844-2100 or jroberts@norfolkne.gov for more information. This month's book is *Cress Watercress* by Gregory Maguire. Golden Sower Book Club meets in the Youth Activity Room.

1000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN: Instill an early love of reading! Any child from birth until kindergarten can participate. Completion may take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read. The most important predictor of school success is being read to at home during early childhood. Children earn a free book and a prize for every 100 books read. Just one book a day equals more than 1,000 in three years. The concept is simple, but the rewards are priceless!

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<i>Monday—Saturday: Scavenger Hunt for kids ages 4-12 or families with younger children</i>						
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