



JULY ADULT PROGRAMS



Arts & Crafts for Feral Adults Thurs., July 3 at 6 pm

The craft vault is open and everything from needle felting to clay sculpting awaits. Enjoy a coloring book, practice with pastels, or bring your own project to finally finish; it's up to you. Ages 21+ are welcome to bring an adult beverage if desired.



Paper Theater: A Fantastical Forest Cut & Layered Part 1 ~ Thurs. July 17 at 6 pm Part 2 ~ Thurs. July 24 at 6 pm

Paper cutting is an art form practiced in China, Japan, Germany, Poland, and beyond. However diverse the styles, techniques, and traditions of the craft, paper cutting around the world seems to have one thing in common: it usually features creatures or scenes from folk or fairy tales.

In the spirit of this tradition, we will cut images from paper and layer them to create a multi-dimensional forest scene complete with mushrooms, flora, and a fantastical character or creature that you choose from among several options. All participants will use the same template but the colors, textures, and focal point you select make for an enchanting scene that is uniquely your own.

This is a 2-part class. Participants will need to attend both sessions to complete their project. You will automatically be registered for Parts 1 & 2.

Art of Illumination Thurs., July 31 at 6 pm

Leave the digital age with its instant text and harken back to the days of the gilded



page. During this adult craft night, you'll learn about the medieval art of the illuminated manuscript and try your hand at illustrating and gilding an ornate letter or border in the style of your choosing.

Monthly Adult Programs



Fiber Arts Club Thurs., July 3 at 12-1:30 pm

Enjoy the company of like-minded crafters.



Lunchtime Writer's Retreat Mon., July 28 at 12-2 pm

Carve out time to write or work on a creative project.



Men's Club Thurs., July 31 at 12-2 pm

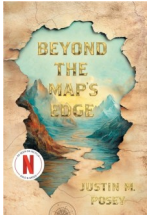
Make connections and conversation over a game of chess or checkers. Plenty of gents have arrived but keep missing each other! Please arrive at 12pm to ensure you are all here at kick-off!

The mission of the North Valley Public Library is to strengthen and support our community by:

- fostering a welcoming and comfortable setting for all people to gather, explore, and discover;
- promoting literacy and lifelong learning;
- providing exemplary programming, service, and quality, timely materials.

NEW SUMMER READS

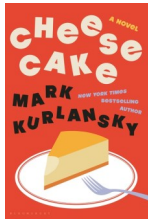
Here is a sampling of new summer reads arriving. Look for them on the new shelf or put them on hold.



Beyond the Map's Edge by Justin M. Posey

Genre: Travel, Puzzles, & Memoirs

"Featured in Netflix's *Gold & Greed*, Posey combines tech and treasure hunting in this memoir of adventure. With his own treasure hidden away, the hunt begins in these pages." —Publisher Marketing

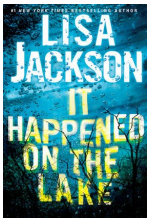


Cheesecake by Mark Kurlansky

Genre: Popular Literary Fiction

"It's the 1970s, and poppyseed strudel, praline ice cream cake, and New York cheesecake are as integral to Manhattan's Upper West Side as clustered pigeons, suited doormen, and greasy diners. That is, until Cato comes to town. Cato the Elder, a Roman born in 234 BCE, is credited with the earliest written recipe ever found. A recipe for . . . cheesecake. No cream cheese, no graham cracker crust, somehow savory and sweet, the recipe is enigmatic, and suddenly, it's all anyone on West 86th Street can talk about.

The Katsikases, a Greek cheesemaking family who immigrated to open a restaurant in New York, added Cato's pastry to their menu as a ploy to attract "upscale" diners. After a glowing write-up in the *Times*, the recipe becomes a neighborhood fixation, and the Katsikases' patriarch, Art, buys up as much of the block's real estate as he can." —Publisher Marketing



It Happened on the Lake by Lisa Jackson

Genre: Thriller

"In an intense, twisty, Hitchcockian standalone spin on *Rear Window* from #1 New York Times bestselling author Lisa Jackson, a woman returns to the Oregon town where a nightmare unfolded 20 years ago--and is waiting to engulf her again." —Publisher Marketing



Novel Murder: A Mystery by E.C. Nevin

Genre: Cozy Mystery

"In the quaint English town of Hoslewit, the biggest names in crime writing have congregated to celebrate all things bookish and murderous. Author Jane Hepburn is

determined to make her time at the Killer Lines festival worthwhile. This is her chance to change her fortunes and make her fictional Private Detective Baker a household name. And if she has to resort to sneaking into the book tent after hours to rearrange some books so hers are front and center, so be it.

But when Jane encounters the dead body of renowned (and reviled) literary agent Carrie Marks, the festival takes on a decidedly different tone." —Publisher Marketing

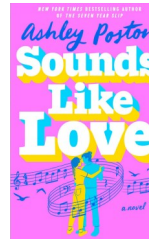


Salty by Kate Myers

Genre: Humorous Mystery Fiction

"A hilarious page-turner about two estranged sisters who reunite to take down the luxury yacht owner who destroyed their childhood home--and might be responsible for the dead body next door." —Publisher Marketing

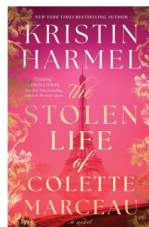
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Sounds Like Love by Ashley Poston

Genre: Romantic Comedy

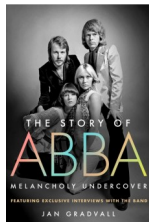
"Poston is comfortingly adept at creating complex characters who are kind, and surrounding them with realistic friends and family, while making the world of music writing, a small coastal town, and its music venue feel real." —*Booklist*



Stolen Life of Colette Marceau by Kristin Harmel

Genre: Fiction

"An electrifying new novel about two jewel thieves, a priceless bracelet that disappears in 1940s Paris, and a quest for answers in a decades-old murder." —Publisher Marketing



Story of Abba by Jan Gradvall

Genre: Popular Music

"An unabapologetically affectionate ode to one of pop's biggest acts." - *Publisher's Weekly*

Closed
Fri, July 4



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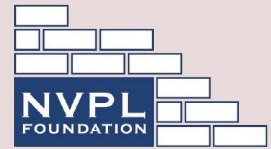
Friends Leader Steps Down

This month, we bid a grateful farewell to **Susan Slemp**, chair of our **Friends of the Library**. After serving on the North Valley Public Library Foundation Board for about a year, Susan stepped down several years ago to resurrect our Friends of the Library service group, which provides support in numerous ways to the library.

Under her leadership, the Friends group grew to a dozen members, who are involved with fundraising, community events, and library support. These include creating a library float for the Creamery Picnic Parade, assisting with our Birdies for Books golf scramble and Big Book Sale, and getting our Spring Soiree literary event off the ground.

A longtime volunteer with nonprofits throughout the Bitterroot Valley, Susan's next project will be devoted to making time for herself and her family.

We're currently seeking a new Friends chair, as well as additional members to join our Friends of the Library and make a difference through various events in support of the Stevensville library. **If you're interested, please contact NVPL Foundation Board President Carla Sanders at harrisonsanders@aol.com or call (951) 258-6918.**



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Kate in Oregon

Welcome Kate Kowal to the Library Board of Trustees

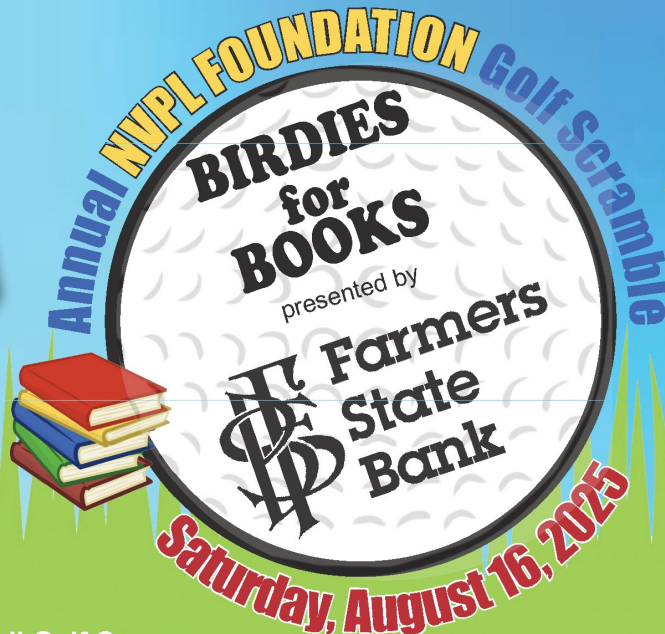
The Board of the County Commissioners appointed Kate Kowal to serve on the North Valley Library Board of Trustees as per the request of the current board members. Her term will expire May 2029.

Kate is the middle school librarian and a lifelong book lover. She is a very proud Mom of an amazing son and the school liaison for the Coding for Kids program. She loves the Stevi community and her life in the Bitterroot.

Kate said, "My whole life, libraries, and the resources they provide, have been a place of peace and wonder for me. Being part of facilitating that same experience for those in our community would be the culmination of the years I have spent enjoying and investing in this vital part of our society."

FOUNDATION NEWS

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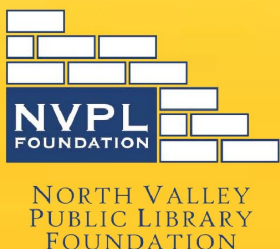
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For full information, including registering online:

charitygolftoday.com/nvlibrary2025



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SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Color Our World with the Summer Reading Program at North Valley Public Library. Kick your summer off with this free coloring page and check out all that's happening this summer.



SUMMER READING SPECIAL EVENTS: COLOR OUR WORLD

Registration required!

Learning About Our Sun with the Western Montana Astronomical Association



Age group:
Children, Teen,
Adults, Family
**Mon., June 9 at
1:30-2:30pm**

Would you like to learn **how** to safely view the

surface of our sun? Carolyn Mirich from the Western Montana Astronomical Association is coming to North Valley Public Library to show us lots of ways to do just that! With two specialized telescopes and some clever alternatives, Carolyn will teach us several ways to safely view our earth's source of light.

The WMAA was founded in 1982 and is located in Missoula. They are dedicated to a personal appreciation of astronomy and to expanding public awareness of the night sky and astronomical happenings. With over 20 members and an assortment of equipment, the club hosts monthly meetings, participates in outreach events, and helps to support the Blue Mountain Observatory's open houses.



Cowboy Andy & the Salamanders

Age group:
Children, Family
**Tue., June 24 at
1:30-2:30pm**

As part of our Summer Programming, join us in welcoming Cowboy Andy and Oscar the

Amazing to North Valley Public Library. They bring big music to little people of all sizes! Their all-original rock and roll spans all genres and makes kids and families want to dance, sing, and celebrate! Sponsored by Town Pump Charitable Foundation.

Home ReSource DIY



Age group:
Teen, Family
**Tue., July 29 at
1-3pm**

Home ReSource is coming to North Valley Public Library! Join us in creating a project out of reusable and repurposed items. Parents are encouraged to stay and participate with their kiddos. This program can accommodate 14 kids and as many parents as can come.

Home ReSource's mission is to work with, in, and for the community to reduce waste and build a more vibrant and sustainable local economy. They collect and sell reusable materials, channel materials to those in need, provide meaningful work opportunities, and educate & inspire to promote a sustainable future. Sponsored by Town Pump.

Animal Wonders Children's Event

Age group:
Children, Toddlers, Teen, Family
Tue., Aug 12 at 1:30-2:30pm

Join the animal ambassadors from Animal Wonders to



meet exotic animals and hear their stories.

This hour-long presentation fills up to capacity, so register early. Remember to register every person that is attending, including adults who are accompanying children.

Sponsored by Town Pump Charitable Foundation.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE & spectrUM EVENTS

Color Our World with all things creative this summer.

Read, write, make, create, observe, and learn. Check out book displays on all things creative.

The summer reading bingo challenge runs **May 30 through Aug 8**.

Register on our website northvalleylibrary.org/srp. Ask for a form at the front desk or download your own.

Age categories:

- Rubber Duck Reading Challenge for ages 0-4
- Kid Bingo Card for ages 5-11
- Teen Bingo Card for ages 12-18

Receive prizes as you read and be entered into the **grand prize drawing on Friday, August 15**.



Join the spectrUM Discovery Area for their 11th Annual Jane S. Heman Foundation summer of science 2025



The University of Montana spectrUM Discovery Area is teaming up with libraries and community groups to offer free, hands-on activities all summer.

See our website at tinyurl.com/summerofscience2025 or scan the QR Code for our summer schedule.



RAVALLI COUNTY

Ravalli County Museum & Historical Society
205 BEDFORD ST. | HAMILTON
June 14th 9-12
July 12th 9-12
August 9th 9-12

Darby Community Public Library
101 S. MARSHALL ST. | DARBY
June 10th 11-1
July 8th 11-1
August 5th 11-1

North Valley Public Library Stevensville
208 MAIN ST. | STEVENSVILLE
June 17th 1:30-3
July 15th 1:30-3
August 19th 1:30-3

Bitterroot Public Library Hamilton
306 STATE ST. | HAMILTON
June 13th 1-3
July 25th 1-3
August 8th 3-6



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June 17: Plant Party! Make your own seed-scattering creation that you can take home to watch it grow! Learn about native Montana plants and how to identify invasive species of weeds.

July 15: Marble Mazes Create your very own marble maze out of common craft materials to take home and

enjoy or share with a friend!

August 19: Cardboard Construction Build a creation of your dreams using recycled cardboard, reusable screw connectors, and 3D-printed brackets. Design a fort that you can enjoy with friends, build a life-size replica dinosaur, and more!

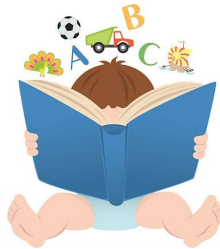
SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS

Babies, Toddlers, & Preschoolers

Baby & Me Storytime

Wednesdays at 10am, Ages 0-2

For parents, grandparents, & caretakers with babies 0-2 years. Nursery rhymes, music, & stories to engage those amazing young minds.



Songs & Stories for Preschoolers

Wednesdays at 10:30am, Ages 3-5

Join this dynamic early literacy program, readying your child to read. Share in the fun with singing, clapping, reading, and dancing while connecting with other young families in our community.



Roleplaying Games, Ages 12-18

Tuesdays at 4pm

NO program June 24, July 1, & Aug 5.

Enter the world of Dungeons & Dragons! Register online on the library's calendar. For more information email Emily at emilys@northvalleylibrary.org.



Open World Fridays, Ages 12-18

Fridays at 4pm,
No program June 27, July 4,

That Friday Thing
with an all-access



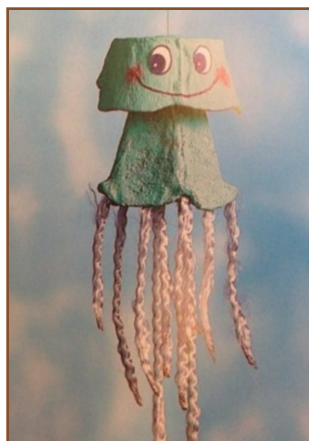
pass to the cool stuff at the library. Choose to do what's available or do something else exciting. Register online through the library calendar. You need not attend all sessions.

Drop-in Crafts

Color Our World with a new drop-in craft each month at the library. Crafts are self-directed with different skill levels in mind.

The crafts offered this summer:

Hangable
Mosaic
Art
Upcycled
Jellyfish



SCIENCE Squad

on Wednesdays with Science Officer Lisa

Hey explorers, investigators, and inventors ages 8-12! Experience the universe through Legos®, food, experiments and more.

Wednesdays at 2:30pm ~ Registration Required

June 25 Only July 2, 9, 23 & 30 Aug 6, 13 & 27



Homemade
Kaleidoscopes &
Kaleidoscope Art

