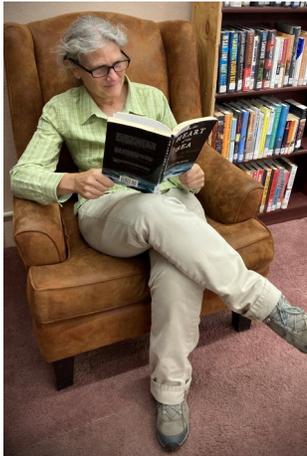


COME ON IN AND COOL OFF



Caryn takes a break in the quiet reading area.

Please come into the library!

The comfy chairs and study tables are all waiting for patrons.

It is smoky and hot, so why not be comfortable and hang out at the cool library?

We have books, magazines, and newspapers to read.

We have cool air-

conditioning, computers, and Wi-Fi.

We also have friendly staff.

The comfy armchairs in the back of the library are for quiet reading, and we have armchairs in the children's room for parents or grandparents to have lap-reading sessions.

Teens can enjoy the in-person programs described on page 4 of this newsletter. Kids ages 5-13 won't want to miss spectrUM's fun puzzle program on Thu.,

Aug. 19 from 10:30-12:30pm.



The alphabet armchairs in the children's room are calling out for a grandma or grandpa to read out loud to grandkids.

Laptop Computers to Check Out



HP ProBook Laptops are available to check out. These check out for a week at a time. They come preloaded with Microsoft Office. An external storage device is necessary to save any work or

save to your email or the cloud. Your work will be gone when the laptop restarts because there is software installed to ensure patron privacy.

Library Foundation Needs You



NORTH VALLEY
PUBLIC LIBRARY
FOUNDATION

The nonprofit North Valley Public Library Foundation is seeking new members to join its board, which works together with the local community to raise funds that support many

aspects of the library.

Duties include attending the board meeting each month, via Zoom or in person, and helping out with fundraising events including the *Birdies for Books* golf tournament each summer, *Business & Battle for Books* in winter, and *Brews for Books* at local breweries, where a portion of the proceeds benefit the library.

For more information, contact Board President Carla Sanders at harrisonsanders@aol.com.

LIBRARY NEWS

Board Games Come to the Library



Be the mayor of your own city in *Machi Koro*, treat disease hotspots while researching cures in *Pandemic*, or work cooperatively to build a marble powered computer in *Turning Tumble*, all coming to the Library this August! Thanks to a partnership with SpectrUM, board games will soon be available for 14-day checkout. The games range in ages and number of players, so there is sure to be something for everyone. It's a great chance to try out a game and entertain the whole family!

List of Games

Animal Upon Animal

Catan

Catan Junior

Chickapig

Chickapiglet

Codenames

Forbidden Island

Gloomhaven

Hive

Labyrinth

Machi Koro

NMBR 9

Outfoxed

Pandemic

Patchwork

Photosynthesis

Qwirkle

Rubik's Cube

Rummikub

Scrabble

Spot It!

Sushi Go!

The Mind

Ticket to Ride

Ticket to Ride First Journey

Turing Tumble

Trivial Pursuit: Genus IV

How to Check out Games

1. Place board game(s) on hold using the catalog.
2. When your game is ready for pickup, we will notify you and you can come and pick it up. **Games from North Valley Library may only be picked up at the North Valley Library.**
3. When you are done with your game, or when your two weeks are up, please return it to the front desk. **Games may not be left in the book drop.**

Labyrinth: a shifty game

Tired of the same old rectangle board games where the dice roll determines how many spots you can move? Then try *Labyrinth*, the game where you build the board as you play. Players place a tile on a row in the labyrinth, moving the other tiles around it with each player adding to the maze. Players then move on these shifting paths in a race to collect treasure.



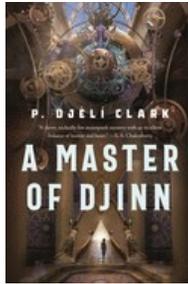
It's a wonderful puzzle-solving game for kids, but can also be a cutthroat strategy game when played by adults.

Ages 8+

For 2-4 players

NEW NOVELS FEATURING MAGIC: BOOKS & AUDIOBOOKS

Adult Harry Potter fans know that sometimes we all need a little magic in our lives. Check out these new books and audiobooks for adults (and young adults).



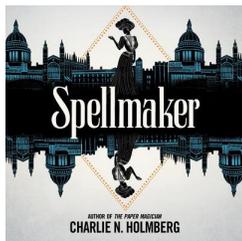
Master of Djinn by P. Djäelâi Clark
“Cairo, 1912: Though Fatma is the youngest woman working for the Ministry of Alchemy, Enchantments and Supernatural Entities, she’s certainly not a rookie, especially after preventing the destruction of the universe last summer.

So when someone murders a secret brotherhood dedicated to one of the most famous men in history, al-Jahiz, Agent Fatma is called onto the case.”



Spellbreaker by Charlie N. Holmberg

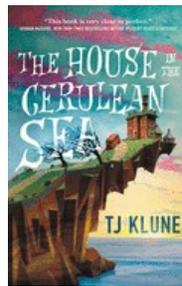
In Victorian, England, the orphaned Elsie Camden learned as a girl that there were two kinds of wizards in the world: those who pay for the power to cast spells and those, like her, born with the ability to break them. But as an unlicensed magic user, her gift is a crime. Commissioned by an underground group known as the Cows, Elsie uses her spellbreaking to push back against the aristocrats and help the common man. She always did love the tale of Robin Hood. –Publisher



Spellmaker by Charlie N. Holmberg.

England, 1895. An unsolved series of magician murders and opus thefts isn’t a puzzle to Elsie Camden. But to reveal a master spellcaster as the culprit means incriminating herself as an unregistered spellbreaker. When Elsie refuses to join forces with the charming assassin, her secret is exposed, she’s thrown in jail, and

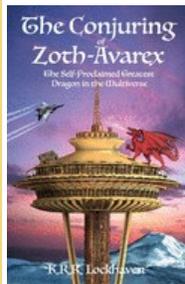
the murderer disappears. But Elsie’s hope hasn’t vanished. –Publisher



House in the Cerulean sea by T.J. Klune. One of Book Riot's "20 Must-Read Feel-Good Fantasies"

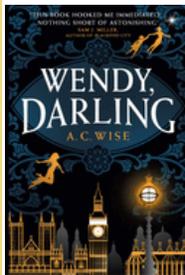
“Linus Baker is a by-the-book case worker in the Department in Charge of Magical Youth. He’s tasked with determining whether six dangerous magical children are likely to bring about the end of the world.

Arthur Parnassus is the master of the orphanage. He would do anything to keep the children safe, even if it means the world will burn. And his secrets will come to light.” –Publisher



Conjuring of Zoth-Avarex by K.R.R. Lockhaven.

“Kept hidden by the United States government for decades, the Site is a place where magic is real...Soul-sucking policies and layers of stifling bureaucracy threaten to take all the fun out of magic. Harris, a newbie Conjurer, starts his first day of work at the Site bursting with excitement...the Site manages to carry out its plan and conjure an actual dragon to be used by the military...The dragon...immediately eats the person next to him, snatches a princess from the ranks of the Conjuring Department, and flies away to the Space Needle...”



Wendy, Darling by A.C. Wise
Neverland is more nightmare than dream... This rich tale of memory and magic is sure to resonate with fans of reimagined children's stories.
— Publishers Weekly

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.

TEENS AUGUST NEWS

Dungeons & Dragons



Ages 13-18

Tuesdays at 4 pm

Enter the world of *Dungeons & Dragons!* Create your own character and join the campaign. This program will be held both in person or online via Zoom. You choose.

No experience necessary.

Teen Workshop: RPG Mini Figurines



Ages 12-18

August 13 & 20

Fridays 2-4:30pm

Do not miss the last Teen Summer Workshop! Find and create your own 3D

mini figurine to use in role-playing games. After the figures are printed, you can modify the design by painting them. This workshop will also include dialogue about D&D. Participants are expected to attend both sessions.

Teen Board Games

Board games are now available to borrow from the library! You will want to try *Gloomhaven*, a game of Euro-inspired tactical combat in a persistent world of shifting motives. Players become wandering adventurers who must work together to clear dungeons and forgotten ruins before their time runs out.

Ages 14+

For 1-4 players



YOUTH SUMMER READING

Rubber Duck Reading Club—ages 0-4

Complete fun literacy activities with your child this summer and earn a prize!

Summer Reading Challenge—ages 5-18

Spend the summer reading great books and you can win prizes! Fill in a challenge card with the titles and authors of the books you've read between Monday, May 24 and Saturday, August 7, 2021.

Summer Maker Kits—ages 2-11

Stay busy with fun, hands-on Maker Kits for Kids! Get your bi-monthly maker kit from North Valley Public Library by registering every other week for a different science experiment, art/craft project, or a maker activity. Pick up your kits on Mondays or Tuesdays during the Library's open hours. Please register for each week you wish to receive a kit!

Science in the Summer Maker Kit—ages 8-18, Aug 16

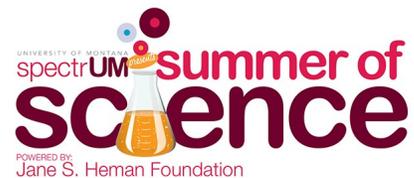
This extra special Science in the Summer Maker Kit includes four different kits in one! All the kits focus on how to be an engineer. Brought to you by SpectrUM.

spectrUM Science

Ages 5-13

Thu., Aug. 19

10:30-12:30pm



Attendees at

the August 19th SpectrUM Summer of Science event can create their own Picture Puzzles to take home. Participants can draw a picture to be stamped into their very own jigsaw puzzle to explore and play with or to give to a friend!

REGISTER REQUIRED FOR ALL EVENTS: [Northvalley.librarycalendar.com/events/](https://northvalley.librarycalendar.com/events/)