

TEEN EVENTS

AGES 12 TO 18 (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)



TAKE AND MAKES

Enjoy a library craft on your schedule! Register for a Teen Take and Make, then pick up your kit with instructions and all the supplies you need. With a week to pick up your kit, these crafts can fit in even the busiest schedules! Register for each craft individually, so you only do the ones you want. Registration for each craft will open two weeks before kits are picked up. Be sure to choose the correct location for you. *Register online or call 701.241.1495.*

Cross Stitch Mini Fruit – June 15 to 20

Pompom Cactus – June 29 to July 2

Felt Pennant – July 13 to 18

Marble Dinosaurs – July 27 to Aug. 1

Mystery Craft Chosen by the FPL Super Teens – Aug. 10 to 15

SUPER TEENS

Ready to make the library shine this summer? *Teens ages 14–18* can sign up to be Super Teens and support programs, build displays, and help plan events.

Applications are due May 30. Questions? Call Anna at 701.298.6960 or visit www.fargolibrary.org/teens.

Mandatory Orientation: June 6 at 1 p.m.

Main Library

DINO BATH BOMBS

Make your own bath bombs with a dinosaur prize inside. Choose your color, scent, and dinosaur to customize your one-of-a-kind creation. Essential oils will be used at this program, if you have any concerns about allergies please contact accessibility@fargolibrary.org after registering. *Register beginning May 9.*

June 9 at 2 p.m. – Carlson Library

June 13 at 2 p.m. – Northport Branch

TEEN VOLUNTEERING

Help the library with activities like preparing supplies for programs, shelving books, and finding items on the shelves. See behind the scenes, meet new people, and have fun while doing it all! *Separate registration is required for each session.* Participants need a signed Teen Volunteer Permission Form from a parent or guardian. Teens can bring the completed form with them to their first volunteering session.

June 11 – Aug. 13 (Thursdays)

Main Library: 2 to 4 p.m.

GUIDED WATERCOLOR

New to watercolor or just ready to try something creative? Join us for a guided session where you'll follow a step-by-step video tutorial to create a unique botanical and dinosaur-themed painting.

June 22 – Carlson Library (*Register beginning June 8*)

June 29 – Northport Branch (*Register beginning June 8*)
6 p.m.

UNEARTH A RED RIVER VALLEY STORY

Join the library and the FM Science Museum as we learn about the geological history of the Red River Valley. Touch and learn about rocks and fossils like the ones buried under our feet, then get some hands on experience as you dig out your own. *Register beginning June 10.*

July 10 at 2 p.m. – Main Library

"WICKED" CRAFTS

Are you a Glinda or an Elphaba, or both? Work on themed crafts inspired by the "Wicked" movies while listening to the soundtrack.

July 20 at 2 p.m. – Carlson Library

REVERSE GLASS PAINTING

Reverse glass painting is a style of painting where you build on your design backwards – starting with the finishing touches and ending with the background. *Register beginning July 2.*

Aug. 4 at 1 p.m. – Main Library

To register, call 701.241.1495 or go to www.fargolibrary.org.

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UNEARTH A STORY™

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

JUNE 8 - AUG. 15



Stomp into summer with the Unearth a Story Summer Reading Challenge! Travel back to the age of dinosaurs as you roar, explore, and read-saurus Rex your way through an exciting summer of books and fun. Get ready for a dino-mite adventure filled with prehistoric pages, fossil-fueled fun, and stories that are tricera-top notch!

How does the challenge work?

- Log in to the Beanstack app or online at fargolibrary.beanstack.org to track your reading journey and dig up exciting rewards.
- For every 10 days you read or listen to someone read, you earn a spin on our prize wheel (up to 30 days).
- After completing 40 days of reading, you'll earn a book of your very own.

Whether you're chomping through chapter books, stomping through nonfiction, or curling up with picture books, every story counts. You decide what to read and how much each day. We recommend 20 minutes (or 2 picture books), but choose the reading goal that works best for your herd. Plus, we'll have T-riffic weekly prize drawings all summer long! Simply log at least one day of reading each week in Beanstack and you'll automatically be entered to win. Paper logs are available to help chart your prehistoric reading expedition, but remember — to be eligible for weekly prize drawings, your reading must be entered in Beanstack. So grab your books, sharpen your fossil-finding skills, and get ready to unearth a story this summer. No bones about it, it's going to be a roar-some reading adventure!

For a full list of the events and activities this summer, take a look inside or contact the Children's Services department at 701.241.1495, email: kids@fargolibrary.org, or visit www.fargolibrary.org/kids.



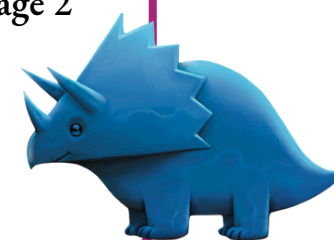
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SUNDAYCLOSED

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WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY.....10-6
FRIDAY 11-6
SATURDAY 9-6
SUNDAY CLOSED

TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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| ADMINISTRATION | 241.8277 |
| CARLSON LIBRARY | 476.4040 |
| CHILDREN'S SERVICES | 241.1495 |
| CIRCULATION DESK | 241.1472 |
| INFORMATION DESK | 241.1492 |
| NORTHPORT BRANCH | 476.4026 |
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FREE MATBUS
Rides for Kids
Coming to the Library

Kids in grades K-12 can ride the MATBUS for FREE to (and from) all public libraries in Fargo-Moorhead through August 31! Passengers must show the bus driver their library card.



UNEARTH A STORY KICK OFF PARTY

We are ready to Unearth a Story this summer and we need your help! Kick off the Summer Reading Challenge with big dino digging machines at the Main Library! While you explore the excavators, backhoes, and Bobcats, be on the look out for mountains of bubbles at the fantastic foam party! We rawr-command dressing to get foamy and to bring a towel. Park in the east lot next to the Main Library downtown, then follow the dino prints up to the fun. Activities will take place in the green space between the Library, City Hall, and Civic Center. In case of inclement weather, we will reschedule.

June 8: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.  **FRIENDS**
Main Library

Thank you to the Friends of the Fargo Public Library for their generous supports of the Summer Reading Challenge.

Join the Friends of the Fargo Public Library, for details visit www.fargolibrary.org/friendsofthelibrary



Fargo Public Library events are FREE.

All materials provided and are available while supplies last.

Accessibility Notice: If you need any accommodation in order to participate, we are happy to help to the best of our ability. Please contact us at accessibility@fargolibrary.org or call [701.241.1495](tel:701.241.1495) with at least 3 business days advance notice.

Registration Requirements: Registration is required for some events and is noted in the description. Groups of 5 or more should contact the Children's Services Department at [701.241.1495](tel:701.241.1495) before attending any event.

Photography Notice: When attending a library event, you or those attending with you may be photographed or recorded on video that may be used for library promotional purposes. If you, or a member of your group, do NOT want to be photographed, please alert a staff member at the event.

REVOLUTIONARY TIMES FOR KIDS

Members from the Dacotah Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will join us to explore life during the Revolutionary War as we observe the 250th birthday of the United States! Through stories, crafts, and hands-on activities we'll experience a bit of what it meant to live through the extraordinary years when our country was founded. *This program is geared towards kids ages 5 and older.*

Aug. 11 at 1 p.m. – Main Library

SCHOOL SUPPLY BINGO

Join us for a fun game of Bingo and pick up supplies for the new school year. *Perfect for school-age kids in Kindergarten and older.*

Aug. 17 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library

Aug. 18 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch

Aug. 19 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



WRAP UP THE SUMMER WITH A DAKOTA DINOSAUR ADVENTURE

A Jurassic-Sized Experience Kids Will Never Forget! Step back 65 million years with one of the most realistic and interactive dinosaur encounters available! Dakota Dinosaur Adventure brings the prehistoric world to life with animatronic dinosaurs, hands-on paleontology activities, and exciting educational activities that will leave you amazed. Professional Dinosaur Trainers will create unforgettable moments through a baby dinosaur meet-and-greet, fossil excavation adventures, and interactive educational programming that spark curiosity, imagination, and learning. *All ages are welcome to stop by any time between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m.*

July 27: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Carlson Library

TEDDY'S TALES: THEODORE ROOSEVELT

REPRISOR, JOHN DOBMEIER

Join us as Theodore Roosevelt is performed by John Dobmeier in a Chautauqua-style performance. Dobmeier, a noted Theodore Roosevelt re-enactor, is a regular contributor to the Badlands Chautauqua in Medora, and last year performed at Sagamore Hill in Long Island, New York. *All ages* are welcome to this interactive, educational, living-history event focusing on Theodore Roosevelt's time in North Dakota.

Aug. 13 at 6:30 p.m.

Main Library

MARIO KART DELUXE TOURNAMENT

Engage in friendly multiplayer competition in a Mario Kart 8 Deluxe Tournament for the Nintendo Switch at the library! Prizes awarded for 1st – 4th place winners. Jr. Bracket (Players 13 and under) Sr. Bracket (Players 14+). Player limit per bracket may be enforced based on attendance. A limited number of controllers are available, so players are highly encouraged to bring their own. *Register tournament participants beginning Aug. 1.* Friends, family, and spectators are welcome. *Adults must accompany children under 10 years old. Contact Abby at 701.476.5971 for more details.*

Aug. 22 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



Thank you to the Friends of the Fargo Public Library for their generous support!

To register, call [701.241.1495](tel:701.241.1495) or go to www.fargolibrary.org.

EVENTS



PREHISTORIC BEATS WITH CONDUCTOR JACK NORTON

Conductor Jack is bringing his instruments and puppet friends for a dance party at the library! Conductor Jack is an Emmy Award winning children's educator, YouTuber, and entertainer. He sings family folk songs and original children's music that promotes reading, literacy, and having fun at the library! Travel back in time as Conductor Jack plays live music on guitar, ukulele, harmonica, kazoo, and more – while introducing *children of all ages* to the world of music, movement, and educational fun!

July 17 at 11:30 a.m. – Carlson Library



ADOPT-A-DINO

Search the children's library for a hidden dinosaur and bring home your new prehistoric friend. You'll get an adoption certificate and can enjoy a few hands-on activities to help your new pal settle in. One dinosaur per child. *This event is open to all ages; little ones may need help from their grown-ups.*

July 10 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

DINO-MITE FAMILY PUZZLE CHALLENGE

Get ready to piece together a roaring good time! Families are invited to join our Dino-Mite Puzzle Challenge, where teamwork is key and every piece brings you closer to prehistoric glory. Work together to complete a dinosaur-themed, 350-piece puzzle. Whether you're a speedy "Tyranno-solver Rex" or a careful "Stego-stitcher," there's a role for every dino-mite team member. Expect laughter, a little friendly competition, and plenty of wonderful moments as you race to see who can put the past back together the fastest. *Perfect for families with school-age kids.* Families are welcome to bring a puzzle or two to exchange. Teams can consist of no more than 4 members. *Register beginning July 1 by calling 701.241.1495.*

July 18 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



DINOSOARS! CHANGE OVER TIME AT THE MSUM PLANETARIUM

Perhaps the most astounding discovery about dinosaurs is that they are still around today – and not just in the movies. Birds are living dinosaurs! Follow the story of Malkia, a museum paleontologist, as she explores fascinating connections between birds and dinosaurs. Activities will follow. *This program is open to ages 3 and up. Due to space limitations, pre-registration of all attendees (children and adults) is required and opens July 6.*

July 20 at 10 a.m.

July 22 at 6:30 p.m.

July 21 at 2 p.m.

MSUM Planetarium (700 11th Street S Moorhead)

SOLDIERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution and the Declaration of Independence with a living-history program at the Fargo Public Library. Guest speaker, Arn Kind brings history alive as a soldier in George Washington's Continental Army and shares the events which shaped our great nation through storytelling, role-playing and living-history experiences. Experience maps, clothing, artifacts, and demonstrations that bring 1776 to life. Volunteers from the audience have an opportunity to take on the role of soldiers in the Continental Army and will learn some of the rudiments of Von Steuben's Drill Manual while handling wooden replicas of Revolutionary War muskets. *This 2-hour event is for kids, teens and adults who will come away with a better understanding of how our great nation came into being.*

July 23 at 1 p.m. – Main Library



STORYTIME OPPORTUNITIES

AGES 2 - 6 (UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

SUMMER STORYTIME

The Fargo Public Library offers storytime opportunities for families to spend quality time sharing stories, learning school-readiness skills, and preparing for a lifetime love of reading. Through the use of books, songs, and fingerplays, library staff help parents and caregivers learn how to foster early literacy skills – all while having super storytime fun!

Main Library – June 9 through July 28

Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

Carlson Library – June 10 through July 29

Wednesdays at 10 a.m.

KINDERGARTEN SUCCESS!

Prepare your child for the transition to Kindergarten through music, stories, songs, and play. Storytimes focus on building essential skills like listening, following directions, and socializing, all while fostering a love of reading. These events are appropriate for *children ages 3 – 5*. Activities follow storytime and all children receive a FREE book!

June 6 – T-Rex Tea Party

Aug. 1 – Dino Dance Party

Main Library at 10 a.m.



SENSORY STORYTIME

Join us for an inclusive storytime presented by Anne Carlsen Early Intervention designed specifically for young children who benefit from a supportive environment. We'll explore stories, songs, and movement activities using visuals, repetition, and hands-on sensory elements. Families can expect a flexible space where children are free to move, make noise, and participate in the ways that feel comfortable for them. Sensory Storytime is appropriate for *ages 0 to 5 (siblings welcome!)*.

June 25

July 23

Carlson Library at 10 a.m.

Aug. 27

Sept. 24

TUESDAYS FOR TODDLERS

PLAINS ART MUSEUM

Featuring storytime by librarians, followed by art experiences led by Plains Art Museum staff, Tuesdays for Toddlers is a time for *young children ages 2 – 5* and their grown ups to foster creativity and imagination. Visit www.plainsart.org to register. Stories and art project repeat during the month.

June 9 and 23

Aug. 11 and 25

July 14 and 28

Plains Art Museum (704 1st Ave N) at 9:30 a.m.

Thank you to the Friends of the Fargo Public Library for their generous support of the Tuesdays for Toddlers storytimes!



BABY RHYME TIME

Babies ages birth – 24 months are invited each month for baby storytimes. Share songs, fingerplays, books, rhythms, and rhymes with your baby while introducing them to books and the library! Each session concludes with open play time. One child per grown-up.

June 4 and 18

Aug. 6 and 20

July 2 and 16

Carlson Library at 10 a.m.



