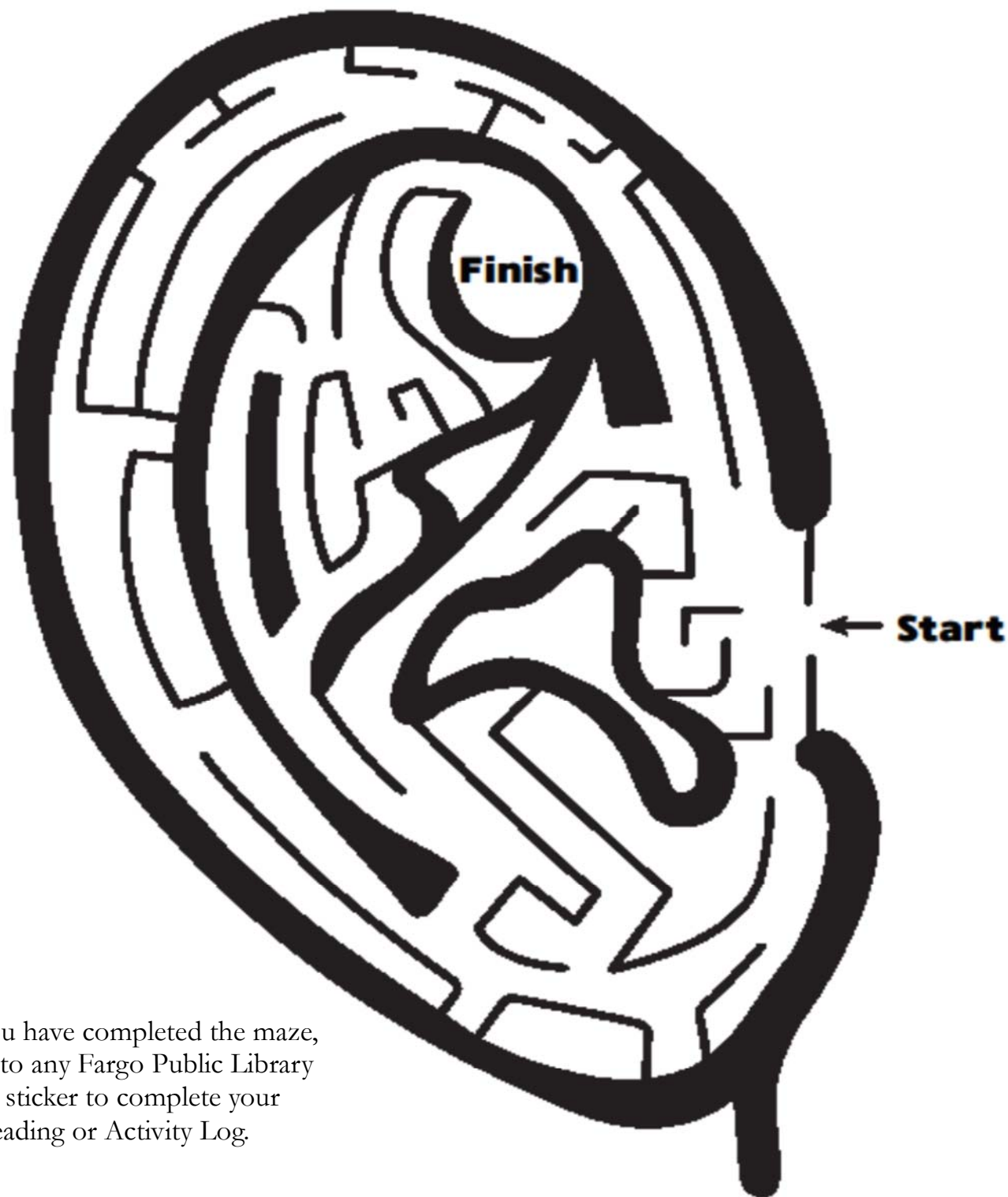




Ear Maze

Find your way into the ear!



Once you have completed the maze, bring it to any Fargo Public Library for a sticker to complete your Reading or Activity Log.

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LIBRARIES™ ★ ROCK! ★

Summer Reading Program June 4 - August 4



Every summer the Fargo Public Library hosts the summer reading program to help school-age children stop summer learning loss. We know that children who read over the summer fare better on reading comprehension tests in the fall than children who do no reading. Studies show that reading as few as 4 to 5 books over the summer helps children enter the new school year ready to learn.

We also recognize the importance of including young children in our summer activities and we have designed a program just for them! Children get ready to read long before they start school. Babies, toddlers, and preschoolers who have been read to from an early age have a larger vocabulary, better language skills, and are more likely to want to learn to read than children who have not been exposed to books and reading.

This year's theme – **Libraries Rock!** – promises to provide children with a summer of exciting music related events and activities! Beginning **June 4**, children ages 12 and younger are welcome to stop by any Fargo Public Library location and register for the summer reading program. Once registered, older children track the amount of time they read to earn prizes.

Young children earn prizes by participating, along with the adults in their life, in activities that develop early literacy skills. In addition, through weekly events (see inside) we keep children reading over the summer and provide families with opportunities to spend time together.



Children's Event News Children's Information

Main Library

102 3rd St. N.

Monday–Thursday 9–9
 Friday 11–6
 Saturday 9–6
 Sunday Closed

Dr. James Carlson Library

2801 32nd Ave. S.

Monday–Thursday .. 10–8
 Friday 11–6
 Saturday 9–6
 Sunday Closed

Northport Branch

2714 N. Broadway

Monday–Thursday .. 10–8
 Friday 11–6
 Saturday 9–6
 Sunday Closed

Telephone Numbers

Administration 241-8277
 Carlson Library 476-4040
 Children's Services 241-1495
 Circulation Desk 241-1472
 Information Desk 241-1492
 Northport Branch 476-4026
 Outreach 241-8111



Children and teens can ride MAT Bus for FREE when they travel to any of the Fargo Public Library locations throughout the summer.



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Fargo History Hunt

The Fargo History Hunt is back with all different buildings! Take a peek into Fargo's past. From June 4 to August 4, pick up a map at any Fargo Public Library location and follow the trail to 12 of downtown Fargo's historic buildings. Use the clues provided to find answers to questions about each building, along with a jigsaw puzzle piece. Complete the questions and the puzzle and

return to the library. Show a librarian your puzzle to be entered into a grand prize drawing. The puzzle is yours to keep! The Fargo History Hunt is once again made possible through a donation from the Friends of the Fargo Public Library. All ages are invited to participate. One puzzle/entry per person. Please note that some buildings are businesses with irregular hours.



3rd Annual Summer Reading Program Food and Toiletry Drive

We are once again excited to partner with the F/M Great Plains Food Bank by collecting non-perishable food or unused toiletry items. For each item donated, you earn a sticker for the Readers' Challenge portion of the Reading Log. Drop off food and/or toiletry items at any Fargo Public Library location to collect your sticker. Items will be accepted June 4 to August 4. No expired or used items can be accepted.

Thank You to All of Our Sponsors:

The Summer Reading Program could not happen without the generous support of these sponsors:

Friends of the Fargo Public Library
 Fargo-Moorhead Heritage Society
 City of Fargo
 Concordia College Science Academy
 Master Gardner – NDSU Extension Service
 Red River Zoo

The Learning Forum
 MAT Bus
 ND School for the Deaf
 River Keepers
 Navy Outreach
 Audubon Dakota



PARKING AT YOUR DOWNTOWN LIBRARY

Wondering where to park at the downtown Main Library? The Fargo Public Library would like to remind you that parking at the Main Library is free and accessible. Parking is available in the Civic Center/Library parking lot located on the east side of the building along 3rd St. N. Additional parking is also available on the west and north side of the Main Library in the Civic Center Quad area.

Handicapped parking spaces are available for library patrons in all three of these lots.

Crafternoons

LOOK FOR
 CRAFTERNOONS TO
 RETURN
 SEPTEMBER 2018!



Toddler and Preschool
 Storytime will return for the
 Fall Session in Sept. 2018.
 Registration begins Aug. 1.

Children's Events

Navy Week Events *continued* July 23 - July 27

Navy Band Concerts

Live music continues with Navy Band musical guests.

This event is open to all ages. No pre-registration is required to attend.

Wednesday, July 25 at 12:30 p.m. – Main Library
Wednesday, July 25 at 1 p.m. – Northport Branch
Wednesday, July 25 at 1:30 p.m. – Carlson Library



U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Casey J. Hopkins

AUGUST EVENTS

School Supply BINGO

With the school year just around the corner, it's time to gather up some supplies while having a good time playing BINGO! This event is open to school-age children and all materials will be provided. No pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 11 a.m. – Main Library
Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. – Northport Branch
Wednesday, Aug. 15 at 11 a.m. – Carlson Library



Kindergarten Success! Storytime Series

Drop in to one, or all, of these special storytimes focused on preparing your child for Kindergarten. Library staff will share tips you can use to instill a love of reading in your child and help get them ready to learn – all while having super storytime fun! These are parent/child storytimes geared for your child's success; therefore, we ask one adult per child to keep the learning to the maximum. **This event series will be held at the Main Library and is most appropriate for children ages 3 to 5.** No pre-registration is required to attend and all materials will be provided. Activities will follow each storytime and every child will leave with a new book!

Saturday, Aug. 18 at 10 a.m. – Let's Love Books!
Saturday, Sept. 15 at 10 a.m. – Write All About It!
Saturday, Oct. 20 at 10 a.m. – You'll Sing, I'll Sing!
Saturday, Nov. 24 at 10 a.m. – Make It Count!
Saturday, Dec. 15 at 10 a.m. – Do You See What I See?



Red River Farmer's Market

Join the children's staff for an outing at the Red River Farmer's Market. There'll be a storytime at 11:00 a.m., or stop by anytime to work on a craft and browse selected books.

Saturday, Aug. 18: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Broadway and 4th Ave N
Downtown Fargo



Children's Events

ONGOING EVENTS



Baby Rhyme Time

Babies ages birth to 18 months are invited to join us each month for lapsit storytimes. Share songs, fingerplays, short 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 lap. No pre-registration is required.

Thursday, June 7 & 21
Thursday, July 5 & 19
Thursday, Aug. 2 & 16

10 a.m. at the Carlson Library
6:30 p.m. at the Main Library

Party in the Park

The Fargo Public Library is going to a Party in the Park! Visit us at the Fargo Park District's Tuesday night events and bring the whole family.



Tuesday, June 5: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Roosevelt Park
Tuesday, June 12: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Centennial Park
Tuesday, June 19: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Osgood School Park
Tuesday, July 3: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Lewis & Clark Park
Tuesday, July 10: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Clara Barton Park
Tuesday, July 17: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Village West Park
Tuesday, July 24: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Madison Park
Tuesday, July 31: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Bennett Park
Tuesday, Aug. 7: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Jefferson Park
Tuesday, Aug. 14: 5:30 – 8 p.m. at Trollwood Park

Friday Family Movies

Friday, June 8 – *The Incredibles* (PG)
Friday, July 6 – *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle* (PG-13)
Friday, Aug. 10 – *The Greatest Showman* (PG)
Carlson Library
1 p.m.

Friday, June 22 – *Spider-Man: Homecoming* (PG-13)
Friday, July 20 – *Beauty and the Beast* (PG)
Northport Branch
1 p.m.



ROCK YOUR GARDEN

Activities for the week of June 4 – 9

Dizzy Dance Party featuring Karaoke Crazyness

Kick off the summer with song and dance! All three Fargo Public Library locations will be celebrating the beginning of summer with a karaoke and dance party. While you are at the library getting your groove on, don't forget to register for the Summer Reading Program.

All ages are welcome to attend. Join us at the Main Library at 10 a.m. or the Carlson Library at 3 p.m. for singing, dancing, crafts, and snacks! The Northport Branch will be hosting some rockin' crafts and snacks throughout the day. No pre-registration is required and all materials will be provided.

Monday, June 4 at 10 a.m. – Main Library
Monday, June 4 at 3 p.m. – Carlson Library
Monday, June 4: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. – Northport Branch



Rock Your Garden Story & Craft

Mary, Mary, how does your garden grow? With seeds and shells and pretty flowers all in a row! Let's celebrate sprouting plants with a morning of stories and a craft to put in your garden at home.

This event is open to all ages, but is most appropriate for ages 2 to 6. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, June 5 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch
Wednesday, June 6 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library



Family Rock Painting

Flourishing gardens have more than just plants – personalized rocks make any garden shine! We'll provide the rocks and paint, you bring the imagination.

This event is open to all ages, including adults, families, and teens. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Wednesday, June 6 at 6:30 p.m. – Carlson Library

Children's Events

Rock the Red River with the River Keepers

Come and take a close look at our Mighty Red with the River Keepers' River Crime Lab. We will learn how to observe and respect rivers and streams using our senses. Our Lab session will conclude with an outdoor scavenger hunt along the River. Weather appropriate shoes and clothes are strongly recommended for our adventures.

This event is open to ages 7 to 12. All materials will be provided, but space is limited so **pre-register starting May 7**. We are also looking for parents of participants to chaperone. To register and/or volunteer to chaperone, contact Children's Services at (701) 241-1495 or online at www.fargolibrary.org.

Thursday, June 7 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



Junior Master Gardening Program Botanical Bonanza

Golly Gee Geraniums! Join us as we welcome the North Dakota Master Gardener program to make you a Junior Master Gardener! Get first-hand experience with the process of pollination and learn how plants propagate – from the food you eat, to the trees you climb. Make your own grass head and enjoy the magic of germination. For those kids who don't mind a few creepy crawlies, make your own mini-vermicomposting bottle and learn how you can compost at home.

This event is open to ages 4 and up. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Saturday, June 9 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



To register for any of the Fargo Public Library events for children, please contact Children's Services at (701) 241-1495 or online at www.fargolibrary.org
For more information visit us on the web at www.fargolibrary.org/kids

MUSIC & MAYHEM

Activities for the week of June 11 – 16



Messy Mini Masterpieces: Baby Art Experiences

We are pushing the tables out of the way, laying out paints and paper, and letting the little ones make mini masterpieces at the library! These creative sessions offer an exploratory, stimulating, and safe environment for you and your baby to become familiar with basic art materials. Come prepared to get messy! Please bring a towel for easier baby clean up at the end.

This event is open to babies 6 to 24 months and their caregivers. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, June 12 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch
Thursday, June 14 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library

Pop Art Painting

Pop goes the painting! Get out your aprons and your smocks, because there's going to be a whole lot of painting going on.



This event is open to children ages 8 to 12. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, June 12 at 2 p.m. – Northport Branch
Thursday, June 14 at 2 p.m. – Carlson Library

Retro Recess

School's out and it's recess all summer long! Celebrate with some old school games and activities – musical chairs, hot potato, and more!

This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Friday, June 15 at 2 p.m. – Main Library

Children's Events

Read and Rock Story & Craft

Make your own live music at the library! Silly shaker eggs, rockin' rhythm sticks, and your imagination will be the stars of this hoppin' and boppin' story and craft event. **ROCK (and READ) ON!**

This event is open to children of all ages, but is most appropriate for ages 2 to 5. No pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, July 24 at 6:30 p.m. – Northport Branch

Rockin' Red LIVE at the Library

Another day, another amazing chance for kids to rock out to some live music at the library! Sioux Falls performer Rockin' Red will be here to rock the stage. This show will be full of energy with an eclectic mix of genres from jazz to hip hop and rock to folk and county!



This event is open to children of all ages and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Thursday, July 26 at 11 a.m. – Carlson Library

Library-Palooza: LIVE Music in the Park!

Let's wrap up the Summer Reading Program with a day of live music and fun activities at Island Park! First we'll welcome the Pat Lenertz Band performing live bluegrass music for kids at the gazebo at 11 a.m. Then we'll host STEM activities brought to you by the Navy from 1 – 3:30 p.m. as well as other fun lawn activities and crafts throughout the park. Stop by for a jammin' good time and have some fun in the sun!

This event is open to children of all ages and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Friday, July 27
11 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Island Park Gazebo



Island Park Gazebo

Navy Week Events

July 23 - July 27

The Fargo Public Library is excited to once again host Navy Week. Below is a listing of events planned:

Sailors Read to Kids

Join us for a storytime featuring special guests, Navy Operational Support Center Sailors, who will share their favorite stories as well as talk to kids about what it's like to serve in the Navy.

This event is open to children of all ages, but most appropriate for ages 3 to 7. No pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, July 23 at 2 p.m. – Carlson Library
Tuesday, July 24 at 10 a.m. – Main Library

Navy STEM Presentations

Explore STEM concepts with presentations by personnel from the Navy History and Heritage Command, USS Constitution Sailors, and Navy Oceanographic Office Sailors.

This event is open to children of all ages, but most appropriate for school-age children. No pre-registration is required to attend.

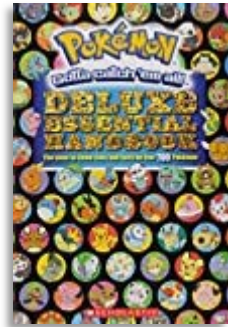
Monday, July 23 at 3:30 p.m. – Carlson Library
Tuesday, July 24 at 3:30 p.m. – Main Library
Friday, July 27 at 1 to 4 p.m. – Island Park Gazebo



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Children's Events

Pokémon Party



We know you gotta catch 'em all, but while you're at it, catch the reading bug at the library! Pop in to the Pokémon Party for themed activities, crafts, and snacks. This party will definitely be Pokémon-umental!

This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Saturday, July 14 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

STRUMMIN' AND HUMMIN'

Activities for the week of July 16 – 21

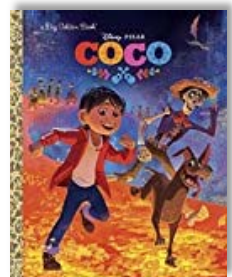
Gather 'Round the Campfire

Strum along with us as we bring the outdoors inside for an old-fashioned campfire sing-along including yummy treats, fun games, and crafts.

All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, July 16 at 6:30 p.m.
Main Library
Ages 6 – 12

Tuesday, July 17 at 10 a.m.
Main Library
Ages 2 – 5



Movie Matinee: Coco (PG)

The story follows a 12-year-old boy named Miguel Rivera who is accidentally transported to the land of the dead, where he seeks the help of his deceased musician great-great-grandfather to return him to his family among the living.

Beverages and popcorn will be served. All ages are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, July 18 at 1 p.m.
All Fargo Public Library locations

Handmade Guitars

Watch guitar craftsman Jeff Swenson create a guitar from everyday objects found around the house and learn how you can too! One lucky winner will get to take home the newly-made guitar.

All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Thursday, July 19 at 2 p.m.
Carlson Library



Guitars Got Style

Picked, plucked, stroked, or strummed, guitars are played in different ways in a variety of musical styles and cultures. Classical and jazz guitar instructor and musician Eric Martens will tell us about it and share some of his amazing guitar skills at this all-ages event.

This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Saturday, July 21 at 11 a.m. – Carlson Library

LIBRARIES ROCK LIVE

Activities for the week of July 23 – 28

Jack and Kitty LIVE at the Library!

There will be LIVE music all week long at the library. Start out the week with Emmy Award-winning songsters Jack and Kitty. This dynamic duo will treat us to some jug band folk music that is sure to get you dancing in your seats!



Photo courtesy of Brizo Media Group

This event is open to children of all ages and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, July 23 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

Children's Events

Music and Mayhem: Family Dance Party

Go get your grandma, bring along your brother, and call up your cousin – it's a family dance party! We'll be kicking out the jams all morning long with music, dancing, activities, and snacks (to keep up our energy, of course). So bust out your boogie shoes and stop by!

This event is open to children of all ages and their families. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Saturday, June 16 at 10 a.m. – Main Library



SOUND ALL AROUND

Activities for the week of June 18 – 23

Cheep, Chirp, and Twitter

Find out the meaning behind the cheeps, chirps, and twitters of our backyard feathered friends. Learn to identify and mimic common bird songs and calls with members of Audubon Dakota.



This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, June 18 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library



Fargo Public Library Talent Show

Area kids and teens are invited to enter the Fargo Public Library's Talent Show! It's time to show us what you've got. If you sing, dance, juggle, play an instrument, or have any other performing skills, sign up to join us for a night of talent. All participants will receive prizes, and trophies will be awarded in three age groups.

This event is open to children and teens in grades 1 to 12. Pre-registration is required and may be completed by calling Children's Services at (701) 241-1495.

Contestant Guidelines:

- Contestants must provide their own music, props, etc. (We will provide the sound system and have a digital piano available for use by contestants.)
- All routines, music, lyrics, choreography, and costumes must be suitable for all ages.
- Performance is not to exceed five (5) minutes.
- Contestants must attend dress rehearsal on Monday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m. or do a walk through earlier in the day.

Monday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m. – Main Library
Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m. – Main Library
Performance

Musical Explorers

Discover the joy of sound. Kids are invited to explore music through games, songs, and instruments with staff from the Children's Music Academy. Parents or other adults must accompany children for this interactive event.



This event is open to children ages 4 to 6. All materials will be provided, but space is limited so pre-register starting May 20. To register, contact Children's Services at (701) 241-1495 or online at www.fargolibrary.org.

Tuesday, June 19 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch
Wednesday, June 20 at 1:30 p.m. – Carlson Library

Children's Events

Good Vibrations: The Science of Sound

The sounds we hear come from vibrations. Changing the materials and the way things vibrate changes what we hear. You are invited to come and make some noise with Dr. Graeme Wyllie and the Concordia Science Academy at the library. Be warned... it might get loud!

This event is most appropriate for school-age children. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Thursday, June 21 at 2 p.m. – Main Library

Feel the Rhythm

Music is for everyone – including those who are deaf or hard of hearing. Find out how people who can't hear music still enjoy it, with a special visitor from the ND School for the Deaf. Then, learn to sign a song!

This event is open to all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Saturday, June 23 at 10 a.m. – Main Library

WE'VE GOT THE BEAT

Activities for the week of June 25 – 30

Percussion Petting Zoo:

A Hands-On Musical Playtime

Rat-a-tat-tat – make some noise at the library! Try out your rhythm skills on a variety of percussion instruments.

This event is open to children ages 6 and up. All instruments will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, June 25 at 10 a.m. – Main Library

Tuesday, June 26 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library



ND School for the Deaf/Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Move Your Feet to the Beat!

Get the beat in your feet and get dancing with the Red River Dance Company. We will spend the afternoon working up a sweat and getting our groove on.

This event is open to children ages 6 to 11. No dance experience is necessary. Please wear comfy clothing you can move in! No pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, June 26 at 2 p.m. – Main Library

Rhythm & Rhyme Story & Craft

Move around and make some sounds at this music and movement oriented storytime geared towards families with toddlers and preschoolers. Make a simple rhythm instrument to continue the tunes at home.



This event is open to all ages, but is most appropriate for ages 2 to 6. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Wednesday, June 27 at 10 a.m. – Carlson Library

Thursday, June 28 at 6:30 p.m. – Main Library

Gooseberry Park Players Present

Selections from *Big Fish*

Cast members from Gooseberry Park Players' production of *Big Fish* will reel you in with performances of songs from the show and theater games for kids! This event is for all ages and no pre-registration is required to attend.



Thursday, June 28 at 10 a.m. – Main Library

Thursday, June 28 at 11 a.m. – Carlson Library



Children's Events

LIBRARY SAFARI

Activities for the week of July 2 – 7



Lion King Safari Sing-Along

Hakuna matata – what a wonderful phrase! Let's sing it out loud while watching the movie. Snacks and crafts will round out the morning.

This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, July 2 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

Red River Zoo Visit

It's all about the animals at the library! Let's welcome the Red River Zoomobile as they bring the animals to you. Come see and learn about some amazing creatures.



This event is open to children of all ages. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, July 3 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

Dancing Safari Story & Craft

Lions and zebras and giraffes – Oh, YES! Listen to stories about animals who love to dance, followed by a craft. It will be an adventure to remember.

This event is open to children of all ages, but is most appropriate for ages 2 to 6. All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Thursday, July 5 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch

Thursday, July 5 at 1 p.m. – Carlson Library

POP-ROCKS AT THE LIBRARY

Activities for the week of July 9 – 14

Stop, Drop, and K-Pop Dance Class

You can't have K-Pop without a little dance! Stop by the library and dance the day away with instructors from Gasper's School of Dance who will be teaching an introductory Hip Hop dance class.



This event is open to children ages 6 to 12. No dance experience is necessary. Please wear comfy clothing you can move in! No pre-registration is required to attend.

Monday, July 9 at 11 a.m. – Main Library

Bib-ing im Bap-ing Korean Story & Craft

How do you say "Hello" in Korean? Annyeonghaseyo! Learn about the country where K-Pop music comes from, Korea, at a unique story and craft event.

All materials will be provided and no pre-registration is required to attend.

Tuesday, July 10 at 10 a.m. – Northport Branch

Ages 1 – 3

Thursday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. – Carlson Library

Ages 3 – 5



Movie Matinee: *Kubo and the Two Strings* (PG)

Be bold. Be brave. Be epic. Join us for a musical movie day and craft! We will show the adventure *Kubo and the Two Strings* and make a craft inspired by the movie – a shamisen!

A young boy named Kubo must locate a magical suit of armor worn by his late father in order to defeat a vengeful spirit from the past.

Beverages and popcorn will be served. Open to children ages 5 to 12. No pre-registration is required to attend.

Friday, July 13 at 1 p.m. – Main Library